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A False Hypothesis

Aberhart Says Newspaper Story Political "Skulduggery"

While no ripple of excitement among the farming community has been caused by the publication in the Calgary Albertan of a featured statement "that Social Credit is not a dead end: that no dividends will be paid," and that "the main problem before the Aberhart government was not further legislation, but the question how to tell the people of the province that Social Credit cannot be put into effect," it has brought forth from the premier a flat denial, in the course of which he branded as false the whole statement as being "entirely foreign to our whole policy and principles."

What makes the situation the more piquant is the fact that the Albertan was formerly a supporter of the Social Credit government and published a weekly supplement of the party's activities. It was not surprising therefore that, rightly or wrongly, the article mentioned had appeared to bear the half-mark of semi-official inspiration.

However, what the Aberhart administration proposes to do or not to do, is seemingly a matter of indifference to the mass of Albertans now busily engaged in the harvesting of a grain crop which ensures a tangible reward for their efforts. "A bird in the hand is worth two in the bush," runs the old proverb, and the Social Credit bush is not only dense and obscure to enemies and friends alike, but the birds therein are singularly elusive.

Having temporarily ceased his verbal vindictiveness in the direction of Saskatchewan Liberals, Mr. Aberhart now turns upon an old ally, and his favorite phrase, "skulduggery," reappears in his comment on the newspaper article, for the Albertan had dared to assert that the Saskatchewan election had been the swan song of Social Credit. All the old and worn out exhortations were brought out during his rebuttal, but it is questionable whether any large number of Alberta citizens pay any attention to the old, old story.

Since his admission, in 1937, of inability to pay the dividends by the 18 months as promised, the premier has himself declared that time is required for the fine flower of Social Credit to blow in all its splendour, and it should be remembered that a prominent member of the legislature from a southern constituency told an audience that 10 years was the least period of time in which to expect full fruition of the new plant. Time—and a good long time—thus forms the essence of the contract, but the unfortunate reality is that in three modern rushing days people grow impatient of delay in the forward march of progress, and the above statements certainly do not coincide with the opinion of expert G. F. Powell who, on Monday, 14th June, 1937, issued a signed manifesto, the concluding paragraph of which said: "It seems safe to predict that consequently Albertans will soon be enjoying all they want of that vast wealth—real and cultural—which is their well-deserved inheritance."

It must be a matter for regret to all citizens that so well-meaning an expert considered it expedient to leave Canada before his prediction was fulfilled. Meanwhile we are left with expert L. D. Byrne, whom the Albertan declared in its article had told a Social Credit caucus that it was not possible to introduce Social Credit into Alberta alone.

In the breast of Mr. Aberhart hope is a perennial spring, if not in that of others, for he proclaims: "that in spite of the blocking tactics and vicious opposition of the financiers and their henchmen, we were proceeding with all possible speed to give the people an opportunity to exercise their rights and to secure what they want. . . . Bear in mind that right at the present moment we are preparing to go forward with a program which will eventually lead to the fulfilling of our promises to the people."

What more need be added? The promise is here reiterated, and to any objectors it is merely necessary to point out that "speed" is a relative term and that although some may be dead within the prescribed time limit, others will live to enjoy to the full the delights of Alberta's cultural heritage.

A.I.A. Annual Meeting

The annual meeting of the Delia Agricultural Improvement Association was held on Saturday, Aug. 6, in the U.F.A. Rest Room. The president, F. L. McFadden, was in the chair.

Secretary read the annual report. A total of 38 members are now on the list of the association. There were 145 applications for grass seed supplied by the Experimental Station and, in addition, 28 bushels of fall rye was distributed. Applications for water development numbered eight. Receipts were $102.00 and expenditures $44.75.

A communication from Lethbridge advising that free grass seed will be distributed to members, and that all applications must be received by the secretary before September 1st, was read.

Discussion on the Field Day took place and it was agreed that efforts should be made to interest business men of the village to co-operate in making the Field Day of 1939 a feature of wider appeal.

Election of officers was then dealt with and it was moved that F. L. McFadden be again president. Mr. McFadden demurred on the grounds of distance and also gave his opinion that younger men should serve on the executive. A discussion arose on this point of view, which was generally accepted and is reflected in the new slate of officers, which is as follows:

President—F. L. McFadden.
Vice-President—Gordon Edgley.
Directors—Robt. A. Macpherson, Henry Moore, T. Forsyth Martin, and John Sinclair.
Sec.-Treasurer—H. F. Crowseller.

A short discussion on farm problems followed, after which the meeting adjourned.

12,000 Prairie Acres Reclaimed by P.F.R.A.

Speaking at the sixth annual field day of the Manyberries dominion experimental station recently, R. E. Eisenhauer, irrigation specialist and secretary of the Land Utilization Board of Saskatchewan, revealed that a total of 12,000 acres was reclaimed on the prairies last year, due to 3500 small projects under the Prairie Farmers' Rehabilitation Act. Mr. Eisenhauer urged farmers to store up all run-off water and use it to best advantage. Large irrigation projects, such as the Lethbridge-Northern, did not pay, he said, because the original cost was so great. Small projects were in a different category.

Minutes of the M.D. Council of Lambton

The council met at Craigmyle, on Saturday, August 6th, at 2 p.m. All councillors were present.

Minutes of previous meeting were read and, upon motion of conn. McNair, were adopted.

Moved by the Reeve that Direct Relief accounts for the month of July be passed and that those for August be approved. Carried.

Moved by conn. Carter that we collect from every person whose taxes are more than one year in arrears one-fifth share of the crop for taxes and, in addition, one dollar per acre and feed indebtedness. Carried.

Moved by conn. Carter that we ask all those from whom we intend to take a share of the crop to give that voluntary assignment of same, not later than the 1st of September, and that they be advised that a seizure will be made and costs added where voluntary assignment is not given within time specified. Car.

Moved by conn. Farwell that we have a Tax Sale this winter of all lands where arrears of taxes have not been taken care of to the satisfaction of the council from the current crop. Carried.

Secretary was instructed to get prices from agents on lubricating oil/axle from Edmonton for each councillor, and to ask the Delia and Hanna papers to print the general precautionary methods which should be used against this disease.

Moved by conn. Cole that we request assistance from the senior governments, as we are not financially able to provide social services, and as a condition to obtaining such assistance we agree to comply with the terms of consent as outlined by them. Carried.

The question of the new assessment was discussed and it was decided to leave to the Court of Revision our changes to be made.

Moved by conn. Carter that, in the new assessment, we put the assessment of the N. W. ¼ 31-18-4 at the figure it stood at immediately before the last Court of Revision. Carried.

Moved by the Reeve that we advertise in two issues of the Calgary Herald for applications for the position of secretary-treasurer of the Municipal District, and that all applications be received not later than the 20th inst. Carried.

Moved by the Reeve that we approve granting Old Age Pension to Mrs. N. Ole. Carried.

Moved by conn. Dunfield that accounts as presented be passed for payment.

Correspondence was read about the horse sickness at present prevalent in the district. A letter was read from Department of Municipal Affairs requiring that Seed, Feed and Fuel Oil advances be collected this year.

The following correspondence was read: Alberta Motor Association, Dept. Pensions and National Health, Dept. of Municipal Affairs (2), Bureau of Relief and Public Welfare, Dept. of Public Works, Drumheller Hospital District, Drumheller Board of Trade.

Meeting adjourned.

ACCOUNTS PASSED FOR PAYMENT

Bureau of Relief	$2.55
City of Calgary	6.20
Bureau of Relief	8.85
Drumheller Hospital	52.00
Conrad Wagner	8.00
Mothers' Allowances	23.50
S. Rees	8.80
Richardson Road Machinery ($7.65, $10.20)	6.95
Crown Lumber Co.	$701.00
J. D. Adams	6.25
Reed Hardware	6.25
Eastman's Pharmacy	66.32
Western Municipal News	1.75
F. C. Mittlestead	22.05
Alberta Telephone	7.10
Freight	.51
J. M. Armstrong ... $29.80, $66.00, $73.60	
Rent	4.00
Mucilage	.15
Phone	.36

TIME SHEETS

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Division 6	$77.25, $107.00

Vancouver Ready for Wheat Crop

Grain elevators at Vancouver, having a combined capacity of 18,000,000 bushels, are ready to receive their share of the Western wheat crop. It is predicted that shipments from this port will reach 50,000,000 bushels for the ensuing 1938-39 crop season.

Premier Aberhart Retuses Details of Plan

Credit Issuing Scheme Ready This Fall, Says Manning At Bashaw

EDMONTON.—Premier Aberhart refused last week to divulge any details of a plan for issuing "credit" certificates which the Alberta government has been considering for some time. Mr. Aberhart also reiterated there was "no possibility" of a fall session of the provincial legislature.

The premier was questioned concerning a possible fall session following the statement of Provincial Secretary E. C. Manning at Bashaw recently, that a credit-issuing scheme would be introduced in the province this fall.

Details of the plan, involving issuance of "tax remission" certificates, were considered by the cabinet last week, and it was expected there would be an announcement soon. It is believed the slips would not need stamps, as were used with the unsuccessful "prosperity certificates" project started in 1936.

Work Off Taxes

Government spokesmen have said that under the plan farmers would be offered an opportunity of working off taxes on road projects. Farmers would receive slips with earnings being applied against taxes, while every third day's pay would be received in the "revenue certificates."

At Blackie early in July Mr. Aberhart announced the government was considering making $1,000,000.00 available in additional credit for Alberta farmers, but he has declined to administer the scheme. But the premier did indicate that 'credit' branches would have to be established to handle the certificates.

Baseball Tournament and Dance at Craigmyle

A baseball tournament was held by the Craigmyle Athletic Club at the school grounds on Wednesday, 10th inst., before a fair attendance of fans. Four teams took part, viz.—Hanna, Craigmyle, Delia, and East Coulee.

The first game played was between Hanna and Delia, who were defeated by the former, principally owing to the excellent pitching of Scott. Kaspar Kemph pitched for Delia. Score—Hanna, 4; Delia, 1.

The second game was between East Coulee and Craigmyle. D. Heckler pitched for the visitors, while Brennan was on the mound for Craigmyle. Score—East Coulee, 7; Craigmyle, 1.

Hanna and East Coulee thus remained in the final play-off and, after a hotly contested game, the latter won from Hanna, the score being East Coulee, 3; Hanna, 1.

A dance was held at Larson Hall in the evening and a large crowd was on hand. Owing to the failure of the Bradford orchestra, which had been engaged, to put in an appearance, not only were patrons disappointed, but a financial loss was sustained by the committee responsible for the day's arrangements which otherwise were very successful

PLANS ANNOUNCED BY WHEAT BOARD

Canadian wheat board offices at Calgary and Vancouver will be re established on about the same footing as in 1935-36 when the wheat board was active, it was learned Monday. A. R. Millard, manager of the Calgary office of the board, and Ray Lee, manager of the Vancouver office, are in Winnipeg conferring with George McIvor, chief commissioner, in regard to operations of the western offices which are for the purpose of handling grain going through the Pacific coast.

The head office staff of the wheat board at Winnipeg is re-occupying the ground floor of the Wheat Pool building, and the staff which formerly had been assigned duties in connection with the distribution of seed and feed in drouth districts will now devote its time by handling the 1938-39 crop.

Crop Testing Plan Field Day, Craigmyle

At the Crop Testing Plan Field Day, held on Friday of last week, Mr. Sinclair, of the Crop Testing Plan, Winnipeg, and Mr. Weir, of the Dominion Seed Branch, gave talks on the improvement of seed grain and grain for world's markets.

About thirty five farmers, business men and women were present, and all seemed to enjoy the interesting talk and the explanation of the analysing of the different samples sown in the plot at Craigmyle.

WHEAT SPREADS TO BE ANNOUNCED SOON

The establishment of the Canadian Wheat Board will entail the fixing of spreads for grades below No. 1 Northern in the near future.

It is expected that announcement will be made in the course of the next few days, according to Hon. J. G. Gardiner, federal minister of agriculture, when questioned.

August is Hoodoo Month for Alberta

August, 1935 Social Credit Govt.
" 1936, signing Covenant.
" 1937, signing Pledge.
" 1938, Wirk?

FEDERAL PROGRAM FOR ALBERTA PARK ROADS

The Dominion government is spending nearly $500,000 on Alberta highways this year, according to Hon. T. A. Crerar, the national parks, according to information given by James A. MacKinnon, M.P. for Weyburn, Sask., to officials of the Alberta Motor Association.

While the Dominion has granted only $75,000 to the province in assisting to hard surface the Waterton-Lakes Park to Banff highway, Mr. MacKinnon says that the Dominion is making a large outlay otherwise to improve parks roads, which will be utilized for motor touring purposes.

Major federal expenditures in Alberta this year is $300,000, which it is hoped will be sufficient to complete the Jasper-Lake Louise scenic highway.

At last reports the highway was only 23 miles short of being completed. It is expected that work will be rushed this year so that the road, running through some of the most wonderful scenery on this continent, will be opened to general traffic in 1939.

The Dominion also is spending $100,000 on hard surfacing highways in Banff national park, including the highway that runs to Radium, B.C.

Delia Junior Grain Club

Placing in the Standing Crop Competition

George Carter	Everett Moore
Frank Dumott	Robt. Sinclair
Walter Dobbs	John Sinclair
Ken. Macpherson	Fred Morrison
Ernest Morlock	Douglas Morrison
Wm. Morlock	Earle Dunfield

The majority of members of the Delia Junior Grain Club, organized by R. A. Macpherson, have made a real effort to bring their plots up to a high standard. Some of the boys had become somewhat discouraged after losing their crops from drouth or hail in the past seven years. The members who have continued their interest and who have worked on their plots this year have excellent results for their work. These boys can be very proud of their crops, which give promise of yielding over 30 bushels to the acre of Red Bobs 222, wheat of high quality.

Every effort should be made to encourage these young farmers who are making a real contribution to make good seed available in their districts. In many cases fathers are proud to state that they have several hundred acres sown with seed grown by their sons.

Enterprise Social Club

The regular monthly meeting of the Enterprise Ladies' Social Club was held at the home of Mrs. Henry McGivern on Wednesday, August 3. The meeting was opened by the president, Mrs. Humphrey, with the club's creed. Roll call was answered by Scotch jokes.

The July meeting—the regular annual meeting which was to have been at the home of Mrs. Aab—was held over for August. The following officers were elected:—

President—Mrs. Humphrey.
Vice President—Mrs. Church.
Secretary-Treasurer—Mrs. Miles.
Press Correspondent—Mrs. Church

It was decided that there would be no picnic this summer, owing to the approach of harvest, when everyone will be too busy.

Grandma Tebor, our oldest member, was remembered on her eighty-third birthday with a box of candy, presented with the best wishes of the club members.

The prize donated by the club was won by Mrs. Calon.

The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Miles in October.

At the close of the meeting a delicious lunch was served by the hostess, assisted by Mrs. Humphrey.

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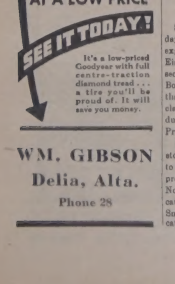

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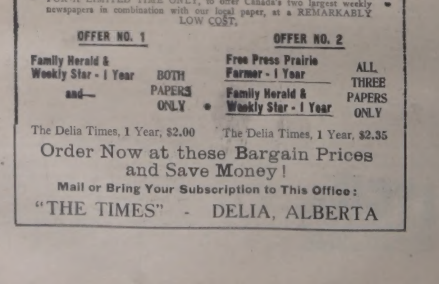

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The "Wars" In The Orient

The very recent "open" appearance of Russia as a foe to Japan in the oriental war theatre on the borders of Manchukuo, Japanese puppet state, will set afoot a great deal of speculation as to where the latest developments in the far east will eventually lead, and whether or not other European powers will later become involved.

If so, it is quite conceivable that the time will come, sooner or later, when Europe will again become the battleground between the major nations of the world, for it is quite on the cards that Russian intervention in the war between China and Japan constitutes but another step towards the maelstrom of another world wide imbroglio.

It is true that no state of war has yet been declared between Russia and Japan but borderline clashes are becoming more frequent and incidents more intense and, in fact, under the rules of modern warfare—or lack of them—it is quite possible for Russia and Japan to engage in a large scale conflict without any formal declaration of hostilities on either side.

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Russia Has Memories

Russia, it might well be pointed out, has more than one reason for taking advantage of a weakened Japan if the Soviet, with one of the strongest armies in the world at her command, believes that her former opponent of 1905 is in a state of vulnerability. Russia has the memory of her defeat at the hands of the Nipponese in 1905 as an incentive, and as a further good the more recent announcement (1935) of the pact between Germany, Italy and Japan, admittedly aimed against Communism and which Russia undoubtedly interpreted as a direct threat against herself.

No matter how strict may be the censorship of the war news from the scene of the Sino-Japanese conflict and no matter how conflicting and confusing may be the report of the progress of the campaign from the point of the combatant armies, there can be little doubt that the Japs are now playing a losing game and that the Chinese have everything in their favor in the type of warfare in which they are now indulging—a war of attrition.

As the Japanese lines of communication lengthen out, the guerilla tactics being adopted by the Chinese are likely to become more and more effective as time progresses. The Chinese themselves are fully alive to this and that, coupled with their fatalistic outlook, has much improved their morale since the war started. The attack on their country and the ruthless manner in which it is being prosecuted has performed wonders in unifying divided forces and this fact, fortified by the proverbial patience of the Chinese, gives them an advantage which becomes more apparent as the conflict becomes more protracted.

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Japan's Economic Tension

Moreover, there are indications that the Japanese are approaching the day when their financial and credit structure will be stretched to the breaking point and the time appears to be not far distant when it will be impossible for them to continue a war of aggression in a foreign country because of inability to purchase needed materials and the impossibility of maintaining armies which are gradually stretching out further from their supply bases.

Recent news items supply chapter and verse for the assumption that the financial straits of the Japanese are becoming very acute. A country that finds it necessary to resort to rat skins for leather and to instruct its manufacturers to reduce the length of matches by 20% in order to have sufficient revenue to keep the army in the field for one hour and five minutes by the savings of a whole year, must be in desperate economic plight.

If the Japanese economists are to be called attacks by Russia on another flank on more frequent and more intensive scale, it would appear that the ultimate outlook for Japanese arms on the Asiatic mainland is gloomy indeed.

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Merely An Hypothesis

Whether or not Italy or Germany may deem it expedient or advantageous, or both, to come to the aid of a distressed Japan in the event of Russian aggression becoming more pronounced, is a question difficult to answer, but it would not be difficult for either one of these dictatorships, or both of them, to find a pretext for doing so, basing their action on the Italo-Germanic-Japanese agreement of 1935.

Numerically, at least, Russia has one of the largest, if not the largest, armies in the world to-day and her navy, respects, is of the best equipped. Possibly that fact, coupled with a show of real strength on Russia's western borders, might be a deterrent for any ambitions which Hitler or Mussolini might have in that quarter.

It is a debatable assumption, however, if some of the European nations outside of Russia should become embroiled in the struggle in the Orient it would not be long before hostilities would be transferred to European soil and such an event it is hardly possible to imagine how long it would be before other European powers would be drawn into the vortex.

White Men Are Safe

Cannibals In Dutch New Guinea Prefer To Eat Their Relatives

A white man's life among Dutch New Guinea cannibals is quite monotonous because the cannibals prefer to eat their relatives, S. Dillion Ripley, 24, of the Academy of Natural Sciences, said.

Ripley returned from a stay among the cannibals, said nothing rates higher a bigwigwam than a relative who oversteps the bounds of propriety.

"The system," he said, "results in a minimum of bores and love thieves in the tribe."

It resulted in part from the Dutch government's attitude toward the consumption of white man and Chinese, he said.

"For instance," he continued, "let's suppose a tribesman steals from a fellow-tribesman his wife or some other personal possession. The victim lodges a complaint with the chief and the chief calls a council of assistant chiefs and priests. If they decide the meat staggers acute enough to warrant drastic punishment, the offender is invited to a big blow-out.

"Through he is about to be barbequed. He dances with the rest of them and the only indication of the unusual honor to be bestowed on him is a garland of flowers about his neck.

"When the dancing ends, the unfortunate is killed with specially selected poles and divided. The guests then roast him to individual taste."

Clever Narcotics Gang

Prayer Books Hollowed Out To Hold Smuggled Drugs

Holy books alleged to have been used in the drug traffic led to the arrest in Paris of a self-designated "grand vizir" in Cracow, Poland, and pointed the way to what police hope will prove the round-up of a clever New York narcotics gang.

Dr. Gonzales, Brooklyn, is Isaac Leifer who, authorities confirmed in New York, once presided over a synagogue in Brooklyn, and Herman Gottdiener, an alleged accomplice.

Heroin worth $20,000 was seized. Police, working with agents of the Surete Generale, Leifer had been mailing volumes of the Talmud and other religious books, their bindings hollowed out to hold dope, to the United States.

Forty such books were found in a search made by Leifer at the time of his arrest. Acting on information from New York, French police have been watching Leifer for some time, and the books he posted were all trailed to their addresses in America.

Police said the smugglers who made the special bindings that they were intended to hold holy sand from Jerusalem. Leifer, a former rabbi in Hungarian, were nabbed just after registering another set of books at the post office.

Old Fort Henry

Interesting Ceremony Dedicating Bastille To Cause Of Peace

Old Fort Henry, which for 100 years has guarded Kingston's harbor, has been rebuilt and recently was dedicated by Prime Minister Mackenzie King to the cause of peace.

Built in 1832-6, it was planned to defend this country against attacks from United States. Now it has become a symbol of friendship of the two nations.

For over a generation this once mighty fortress had been neglected and fell into ruin. Through the cooperation of the Dominion and the provincial authorities, its walls have been renewed and the old guns installed on their original foundations.

Following the parade, with a multitude of people occupying the entire grounds and every vantage point, Mr. King, Canada's prime minister traced the growth of Canada, torn first by wars with foreign countries, then torn by political and racial differences within itself, and how these had all been reconciled.

He paid tribute to the men who had the courage to reconcile their differences and make a great Canadian people united from one end of Canada to the other."

Exchange Of Courtesies

A short man and a thin man were having an argument and began to get personal. "From the look of you anyone would think there had been a famine in the fat line. "Yes, and no one glance at you would convince anyone that you had caused it," retorted the thin man.

Would Take Fingerprints

Suggest Taking Prints Of Applicants For Motor Licences In B.C.

Finger printing of all applicants for drivers' licences in British Columbia was advocated by Chief Constable W. W. Foster of the Vancouver police department, and Asst. Fred Crone, Liberal member of the British Columbia legislature for Vancouver-Centre.

The alderman said a police department survey showed that license applicants in many cases used false names and that criminals often took out two licenses in different names.

Close Bad Time

As residents mopped brows under a hot July sun, radiators in many homes and offices in Scranton, Pennsylvania, suddenly began sizzling with steam heat. Wilting citizens by the score seized telephones to demand an explanation. "Just testing", explained the superintendent of the central heating plant.

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Creamery Butter Production

Central Saskatchewan was the heaviest producer of creamery butter during the first quarter of the year, with 713,503 pounds to its credit, according to a report of the dairy branch, Saskatchewan department of agriculture. The southern division produced 580,268 pounds and the northern, 539,472.

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Philosophers, Owosso, Mich., knows how to get prompt action from insurance companies. He wired an insurance company, telling of a storm building a window, and asked permission to replace it. No answer came for hours. Hastaken wired again: "Just had remember can also carry our burglar insurance." An hour later a rush telegram authorized a new pane.

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A Superfluous Subject

A school teacher who asked a girl to keep a grammar received the following note from the child's mother:

"I do not desire that my Matty engage in grammar and I prefer her to engage in more useful studies and can learn her to write and speak proper myself. I went through two grammars and can't say as they did me no good. I prefer Matty to engage in geography and drawing and good yokal music on the piano."

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If brevity is the soul of wit it would certainly be hard to get a laugh out of Hansard.

COUNT HAUGWITZ-REVENTLOW

This is the latest picture of the Danish husband of the former Barbara Hutton, Woolworth heiress. It was taken on the tennis court in London where the Count spends much of his time. The young couple have been in the news because of charges that (and later withdrawn) by Barbara, claiming that the Count had threatened her life.

Must Prove Something

Medical Examiner Says Alcohol Causes Large Per Cent. Of Traffic Accidents

Dr. Thomas A. Gonsales, chief medical examiner for the city of New York, says scientific tests carried out by his office indicate that 40 per cent. of the persons killed in New York highway accidents last year had been consuming alcoholic beverages.

Dr. Gonsales explained also that examinations of the brains of 582 pedestrians killed in New York traffic in the last 14-month period, show that 34 per cent. definitely were under the influence of alcohol.

Similar tests of the brains of 61 drivers of cars each showed that 44 per cent. were under the influence of liquor.

More than 55 per cent. of the victims of subway accidents examined by the physician, although to show their mental reaction.

The doctor concludes significantly: "Those who drive pedestrians are very effective materially reducing highway accidents, they cannot control the action of pedestrian or driver whose reaction time, muscular coordination and mental faculties are reduced by the ingestion of alcoholic beverages."

And may we add the observation that Dr. Gonzales did not say the accident victims examined by his department and found to be under the influence of alcohol were intoxicated in the ordinary meaning of the expression. He said merely that they were definitely affected by the drinks they had consumed.

The doctor wasn't delivering a temperance lecture either. He was simply explaining, on the basis of scientific investigation, why a lot of Americans are dead.

Mosquito Campaign

Visitor Praises Work Done In Winnipeg And Says Other Cities Should Follow

Jacques McCordell, salesman from Piney, Mo., praised Dr. H. M. Speechly, president of the Anti-Mosquito League of Canada.

After he slept in a tent in Winnipeg and did not need to swat more than three mosquitoes, McCordell said:

"I think Canada and the United States should employ hire someone like Dr. Speechly to carry on a continent-wide campaign against the pests."

McCordell, taking his family on a camping trip to the Canadian Rockies, claimed that while travelling through the province of Ontario they knew no peace in the tent at night.

Dr. Speechly has been head of Winnipeg's anti-mosquito campaigns for several years. Under his direction an annual rag day is held in Winnipeg. Oil is bought and put on all pools of water and low-lying bushland around the city where it floats on the surface and kills mosquito larvae.

Memorial Destroyed

A monument erected on the Linz-Salzburg road in memory of the first wife of Chancellor Kurt von Schuschnigg of Austria has been dynamited. The monumnut stood near the scene of the automobile crash in which she was killed in 1933.

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Civilization might be defined as an upward growth or tendency that has enabled mankind to develop the college yell from what was once only a feeble warwhoop.

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All the average man wants to-day is a fairly easy job, a new automobile, a beautiful wife—and a set of creditors who will listen to reason.

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Beet and cane sugar are alike chemically.

A Means Of Defence

Britain Plans Gigantic Smoke Screen To Hide Thames Estuary

Great Britain's Air Raid Precautions Department is going to try blotting out the mouth of the Thames River, essential landmark on the air route to London from the continent, by a gigantic smokescreen as a means of defence against air raids expected to feature the next war, says Science Service.

Successful use of smoke-screens at sea to blot out whole fleets and the large amount of smoke sky-writing planes are able to generate indicate the feasibility of the plan, the United Services Review, England's lead national defence technical journal believes.

"If the Thames estuary could be effectually blotted out it would amount to the removal of the main sign-post on the way to London for invaders, and there seems no reason why the smoke-screen should be for use at sea only," the journal declares. London is situated a short distance up the Thames estuary.

"Within measure the smoke would be controllable and could be so diffused as to provide relief for our own patrolling aircraft when they come in to land."

Need Better Wheat

Says Canadian Wheat Has Deteriorated In Quality

While wheat growers of other countries have steadily improved the quality of their strains, Canadian wheat has deteriorated in quality to what it was years ago, A. T. Sinclair of Winnipeg, assistant director of Canada's crop testing plan, warned Alberta farmers.

Seven years' study under the plan has shown that 38 per cent. of the wheat grown in western Canada is from mixed strains. Four or five per cent. of the farmers didn't know what variety of wheat they were growing, he said.

"The varieties in a mixture ripen at different times and have the problem of when to harvest for best results," he said. "With a mixture the farmer gets a lower yield and grade than if he grew a pure strain."

The testing plan, he said, was sponsored by eight western grain companies, assisted by the federal and provincial departments of agriculture, the three prairie universities and schools of agriculture.

SELECTED RECIPES

CHOCOLATE MARBLE CAKE

2 cups sifted Swans Down Cake Flour
2 teaspoons Calumet Baking Powder
½ teaspoon salt
6 tablespoons butter
1 cup sugar
½ cup milk
1 teaspoon vanilla
3 egg whites, stiffly beaten
1 square Baker's Unsweetened Chocolate
1 tablespoon sugar
2 tablespoons hot water
¼ teaspoon soda

Sift flour once, measure, add baking powder and salt, and sift together three times. Cream butter thoroughly, add sugar gradually, and cream together until light and fluffy. Add flour alternately with milk in small amounts, beating until smooth. Add vanilla. Fold in egg whites quickly and thoroughly. To melted chocolate add sugar, water and vanilla, stirring until blended. Then add soda and stir until thickened; add to ⅓ of cake batter. Put by tablespoonfuls into greased 8x8x3-inch pan, alternating mixture. Bake in moderate oven (350 degrees F.) 70 minutes. Frost as desired.

CUSTARD SAUCE

1 cup milk
2 egg yolks
2 tablespoons white sugar
1 teaspoon St. Lawrence or Durham Corn Starch
¼ teaspoon flavouring
¼ teaspoon salt

Scald milk in double boiler. Gradually add beaten yolks and sugar mixed with salt and starch. Cook constantly. Cool, add salt and flavour.

Will Accept Challenge

Official Says Japan Is Ready For Struggle With Russia

"If Russia means business we Japanese will accept the challenge—we are ready," Juji G. Kasai, member of the Japanese diet and Tokyo book publisher, said at Los Angeles en route to the inter-parliamentary conference at The Hague.

He expressed belief the Siberian border conflict is more than a temporary affair.

"From the beginning," he said, "we have known that Russia has been behind Chiang Kai-Shek—Russian supplies, Russian planes and Russian ammunition. For this reason, we have been fully prepared for a struggle with Russia as well as continuing our pacification of China.

"Japan does not want war with Russia, but because of the position Russia has taken from the time our troops moved into North China, we have known that the Russians may take the aggressive sooner or later. They evidently think this is the opportune time."

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Fish sold alive in markets or ordered in restaurants must be stunned with a mallet blow before being touched with a knife, according to a law in Prussia.

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The biggest bag on official record is a Poland-China boar that weighed 1,402 pounds when exhibited in 1928.

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England expends $450,000,000 annually on education.

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AFTER FREE PUBLICITY

Considerable amusement was caused at a recent gathering of weekly newspaper men when A. D. McKittrick, editor of the Orangeville Banner, presented a tabulated report on requests for free publicity received in a period of ten days. The combined space ran to over 500 inches, which, if printed at regular rates would amount to $150 or more, and would take up 25 columns of four extra pages. The same story could have been told by every weekly newspaper in Ontario.

Space in a newspaper means exactly to the publisher what a can of salmon or peaches or any other commodity does to a grocer. If he cannot sell them he is out of luck, and if there is no market for newspaper space the publisher is similarly out of luck. Yet all sorts of people and organizations who would not demand it of walking into a store and helping themselves have no hesitation in panhandling when it comes to newspaper space. —Paris Star.

No Dull Moments

Sir Charles Tegart Has Had Many Thrills During His Career

A thrilling book could be written on the career of Sir Charles Tegart, who has returned to London after a six months' visit to Palestine, during which he has advised the Government on the suppression of terrorism. When he was Chief of the Calcutta Police, he seemed to bear a charmed life. In 1923 a revolutionary killed another Englishman in mistake for him; in 1928 he led his forces against a mob of armed students, and escaped unhurt. In 1930 bombs were thrown at his car, and again he escaped unscathed.

One of his most successful devices was to arm the fire brigade as a counter-measure against motorcar bandits. It would have been easy for us to use the fire alarm immediately a robbery took place, and within a few weeks the bandits had given up the game.

Although he is in the late fifties, and has spent 30 years in India, Sir Charles seems to be still in the prime of condition.—News of the World.

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One-eleventh of the total area of the state of Maine is made up of lakes and ponds.

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You can't tell from where you sit what kind of a picture you'll take.

Canadian Social Scheme

Need For The Developing Of A Musical Consciousness Is Stressed

Inclusion of music in the Canadian social scheme was advocated by Sir Ernest MacMillan, during an address before the Canadian Club of Montreal. He stressed the need for a reformation of the present system of developing a musical consciousness in the people, and made a plea for the foundation of a definite Canadian, as opposed to American, contribution to the art.

So far as our leisure hours are concerned it is easy to fill them with the cheapest kind of amusements and attractions. There is no special social significance in indulging a taste for jazz, or for detective stories or burlesque shows, but it will affect the whole character of our conclusions if these diversions become the measures of our fundamental taste, declared Sir Ernest.

In spite of many works produced in Canada, it must be admitted that there is a dearth of the finished performance, especially among native-born Canadians and that little of what is written bears a distinctively Canadian stamp, in the same that much Canadian painting does. "We cannot force the process of creation, but we can prepare a receptive soil," he said. "We can also turn the direction of creation."

Something Of A Record

Man Lived On Same Ontario Farm For 85 Years

A man died a few days ago in East Garafraxa township, near Orangeville, Ont., who had lived on the same farm for 85 years. He was William Smith, a member of a family of 13. He was four years of age when his parents took up the homestead and he remained on it continuously until his death. His was the only farm in the district, still occupied by the original owners.

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The Seri Indians live on Tiburon Island, only two miles out in the Pacific from the mainland of Mexico, yet are little more advanced than ancient cavemen.

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Common salt, or sodium chloride, is obtained by freezing or evaporating the water of saline lakes, springs, or wells, or of the ocean, or by mining in beds of rock salt.

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It takes eight sheep to string a tennis racket, declares a London expert.

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Artificial Restriction On Wheat Acreage Opposed By Pools

Calgary.—Artificial restriction on wheat acreage is not favored by directors of the prairie wheat pools.

At an interprovincial conference of the Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta pools here it was declared a prescribed quota of wheat for each individual farmer to sell would be preferable in Canada to artificial restrictions of acreage.

Under the quota system a farmer could put in whatever acreage he desired but he would be allowed to sell his "quota rights."

Acreage was considered, it was announced, during a discussion on marketing policy.

A telegram was despatched to the Dominion government during the session urging a minimum wheat price of 87½ cents a bushel, No. 1 Northern, Fort William, be established by the Canadian wheat board for the 1938 crop.

Such a minimum, it was stated in the telegram, would guarantee an average net price to farmers in western Canada of 60 cents a bushel for their wheat.

Support of an international committee to regulate wheat acreage quotas throughout the world to protect price levels was urged by the director-delegates to the conference, it was announced.

The Dominion government will be requested to give fullest co-operation on the part of Canada to such a committee.

Discussing future marketing policy, many of the directors expressed themselves in favor of producer-control of marketing. They favored the establishment of federal government regulations to enable wheat producers to market their grain on a basis of complete control when a substantial proportion of growers vote in favor of such regulations.

The telegram urging the 87½ cent pegged price for wheat was carried, without the world to follow our fighting lead and shun the gradualist tactics and strategy proposed by Major Douglas."

Attack On Douglas

Social Credit Party In Britain Have Renounced His Leadership

London.—The Social Credit party of Great Britain and Northern Ireland today threw out Major C. H. Douglas, Social Credit expert, at a stormy meeting in which blows were struck and police summoned.

Members assembled at a meeting called by a friend of Major Douglas to welcome George Powell, and to "acclaim publicity the Saskatchewan election result as an unprecedented triumph for Social Credit."

The meeting did not hear Mr. Powell, Major Douglas' representative to Alberta, as an uproar broke out when Eustace Hargrave, national leader, in vigorous tones declared the party renounced Major Douglas' political leadership because it no longer is possible for us to regard as fit for leadership a man who completely betrayed the golden opportunity presented by the 1935 electoral victory in Alberta and now seems likely to make confusion worse confounded by childish, makeshift political tactics."

Mr. Hargrave said he took the opportunity to "publicly repudiate any claim made by or on behalf of Major Douglas to the political leadership of Social Credit movements and to denounce as futile, illusory and pernicious the Social Credit secretariat's past and present political tactics."

Mr. Hargrave stated it is the Social Credit party, under my direction, will take what political steps may be considered necessary to establish Social Credit in Great Britain without any reference to Major Douglas or his movements. We claim a free hand to proceed along electoral and mass pressure lines, and take this opportunity of urging every Social Credit movement, and in particular the U.D. Euler, federal minister of trade and commerce.

Given a reasonable return, the proceeds of the 1938 crop, it was declared, would be of considerable value in aiding the rehabilitation of western agriculture and would aid business recovery.

If the minimum price were set any lower than 87½ cents, such a price would fail to be of any material assistance to the economy of the west.

Out-of-town delegates were banquet guests of the Alberta pool, at which Mr. Wesson presented a report on the Buckingham pool conference in Australia and Ben S. Plumer, director of the Alberta pool, delivered an address on the convention of the American institute of co-operation held at Pullman, Wash., last week. Mr. Plumer attended the convention.

In an interview, following the session, which was private, Mr. Wesson said that the wheat board price must be of such an amount as to encourage deliveries to the board.

"If the board price is low and daily market quotations are above that figure in all probability a very large number of growers would accept the open market figures," he said.

"Based on past experience, the hedging which would undoubtedly drive down the open market price to the minimum and delivery would go to the board.

"A low figure would naturally create a low world price level."

His declared Western Canada could not afford a price away her first, good crop in six years."

It is necessary, he added, there be a reasonable price return not only to assist the individual farmer but to rehabilitate western agriculture.

A Royal Welcome

The King And Queen Cheered In London On Their Return From France

London. — Canada at Victoria station and Buckingham palace cheered the king and queen on their return from their four-day state visit to France.

Crowd scenes reminiscent of the coronation were enacted outside Buckingham palace where thousands jammed near the gates and others clambered atop the Queen Victoria monument.

The King and Queen later acknowledged the singing, roaring crowd by making an unexpected appearance on the palace balcony with their daughters, Princess Elizabeth and Princess Margaret.

By this time the king was looking a little tired. The queen bowed and waved to the crowd, which shouted "Vive la France, Vive l'Angleterre!"

The queen responded anew, throwing kisses to the throng. Hats, newspapers and gloves sailed into the air.

Honors Exchanged

Paris. — President Albert Lebrun conferred on Queen Elizabeth the insignia of the Grand Cross of the Legion of Honor and at the same time King George presented to Lebrun the insignia of the Grand Cross of the Order of the Bath. The king already possesses the Grand Cross of the Legion of Honor.

Still In Dry Belt

District In Alberta Has Had No Rain This Year

Calgary.—Unusual for the year 1938, a district has been found in southeast Alberta where not a drop of rain has fallen. It is near Retlaw, 150 miles southeast of Calgary.

On an inspection trip of southern Alberta, Inspector H. D. R. Stewart of the Calgary branch, postal services, "discovered" the strip, 10 miles long and five miles wide. All around it abundant rains have fallen and the crops are growing good.

But the "dry strip" is desolate, crops and grain alike withered, he said.

Accepts New Post

Vice-Chancellor Of Belfast University Will Head B.B.C.

London.—Frederick Wolff Ogilvie, 45, president and vice-chancellor of Queen's University, Belfast, was announced as choice of the BBC's board of directors to become director-general of the British Broadcasting corporation Oct. 1, succeeding Sir John Reith, who resigned to become chairman of Imperial Airways.

PLEA FOR FIXED PRICE OF WHEAT HIGH AS POSSIBLE

Ottawa.—Western Canada now enjoys prospects of a widely distributed wheat crop of good volume for the first time since 1932, Premier John Bracken of Manitoba stated as he asked the Dominion government to fix the minimum price of wheat on as high a basis as is possible.

The premier conferred with Hon. W. D. Euler, minister of trade and commerce and chairman of the cabinet wheat committee, on the price question and also asked that a price be fixed for Durum wheat and the spread between that variety and No. 1 Northern be kept as narrow as possible.

In a letter to Mr. Euler setting forth his views he recalled that the income from wheat derived on the prairies in each of the last six years had been $200,000,000 below the average return in the period from 1926 to 1930. This was due to low yields and low prices.

Because of poor yields improved prices since 1933 meant little in the way of recovery so far as the farmers were concerned.

"It now appears," Mr. Bracken said, "that the volume of wheat production in western Canada will be sufficient to materially improve the employment situation, not only in the prairie provinces, but in eastern Canada through increased tonnage for our railroads and increased business for all those affected by the western wheat crop.

"The Dominion government itself will be materially assisted in this wheat production in the prairie provinces this year will undoubtedly result in a fairly large reduction in the relief expenditures for unemployment and drouth relief and greatly increase the earnings of the Canadian National Railways for whom deficits the Dominion government is responsible.

"May I suggest that the Dominion government keep this fact in mind when considering the fixed price for the 1938 crop recovery so to give the greatest possible assistance to the farmers of western Canada who have kept the wheat industry, a great national asset, intact during eight of the most difficult years in Canada's history and through untold sacrifices on their part."

Fast Transportation

Newspapers Sold In Montreal 24 Hours After Publication In London

Montreal.—For the first time in history, British newspapers, brought to Canada on the pick-a-back plane Mercury, were sold on the streets of Montreal within 24 hours of their publication in London.

Also aboard the Mercury were newspapers of the associated press of the Paris reception of the King and Queen. These were picked up at the landing point and rushed to the Montreal office of the Canadian Press and Financial News.

New Coinage For Germany

Berlin.—Field Marshal Hermann Goering called in all foreign and domestic coins and precious metals in connection with the establishment of a uniform coinage for greater Germany, including Austria. The Reichsbank will issue gold coins and collectors, ordered the delivery of all coins to the reichbank before Sept. 1.

Veteran Publisher Dead

Vancouver.—James Gothard, former publisher of the Canadian Police Gazette, died here July 18. He was born in Scotland in a long time ago. Born in Scotland, he had lived 57 years in Canada. He was once on the editorial staff of the old Vancouver World newspaper and a publisher of the magazine "Truth".

New Home For Dionnes

North Bay, Ont.—Plans for a new home for Oliva Dionne's family, to be built on an estate with a chapel, school, playground and swimming pool, were discussed here by Attorney-General Gordon Conant and other Ontario government officials in conference with the quintuplet guardians.

Olympic Games In Finland

Helsingfors.—Finland accepted a formal invitation to hold the 1940 Olympic games at Helsingfors. Finland originally had bid for the international games and was given first call by the international Olympic committee after Japan renounced the games recently.

Seize Lottery Cards

Montreal.—Thirty thousand lottery cards were seized by provincial police in a raid on a printing plant, 2265 in London.

"MAGNA CARTA" SPEAKER

Hon. J. Earl Lawson, K.C., M.P., who spoke on the recent C.B.C. coast-to-coast special "Magna Carta" radio program. Mr. Lawson is Conservative member for South York.

British Migration

Would Populate Dominions As A Stabilizing Influence

London.—Migration of British people to sparsely-populated parts of the empire as a stabilizing influence in world affairs was urged by various speakers in the house of lords.

Participating in a debate on a report of the overseas settlement board, the Duke of Devonshire, under-secretary for the dominions, declared landhungry countries regarded the empire as holding a large area of the earth, "unable or unwilling to occupy and develop it, but preventing others from settling it."

This condition, the duke argued, "is not conducive to peaceful or settled international relations." He urged collaboration quickly between the dominions and the United Kingdom before it was too late to populate the dominions with men and women of British stock.

Viscount Elibank, who has travelled extensively in the empire, submitted the best arrangement for the present was for people to migrate from the United Kingdom on what was called a policy of infiltration. Once Australia had subscribed to that policy, he added.

"Canada does not require more immigrants as she still has unemployment, and political conditions are such, apparently, that she does not require them," Lord Elibank declared.

Referring to last year's Empire Settlement Act, and the proposed £3,500,000 ($7,500,000) grant to be given under the act, Lord Elibank said: "I want to ask to what extent the treasury influences the policy of the overseas settlement board in the expenditure of the money. I suggest the treasury has too much control over expenditure and interferes too much with the policy of the overseas settlement board."

Lord Barsby, Conservative, declared that in Canada the official view was that an influx of migrants was a challenge to employment.

"The facts are so palpably the reverse," he stated, "that it is regrettable that means have not been found to convince organized labor of the position."

Request Was Refused

No Automobile Will Be Provided For Governor Of Bermuda

Hamilton, Bermuda.—Governor Sir Reginald Hildyard, of Bermuda, will not be provided with a motor car by the colonial office to inspect the island's military forces.

In the Bermuda house of assembly a request for an automobile for the governor, who is also general officer in command of the island's armed forces, was denied.

Speaker Cooyers of the assembly said it was ridiculous for the governor to have an automobile merely to inspect 100 troops.

British Pilot Killed

London.—Sergeant Maurice Reginald Kennedy, of the Royal Air Force, was killed when his Hawker-Hurricane pursuit plane cracked at Hillington, Middlesex.

TWO "QUEENS" MEET AT TENNIS PARTY

Helen Wills Moody, who made a remarkable come-back by capturing the All England women's singles title this summer, is seen above with the former Queen of Spain, as they attended Lady Crosfield's lawn tennis party in London.

Earthquake Shakes Greece

Buildings Fell And Many Persons Killed And Injured

Athens. — The strongest earthquake felt in this country in modern times scattered death and ruin through ancient Greece.

A tentative casualty list based on fragmentary reports from the earthquake areas showed 20 persons killed and at least 100 injured.

The island of Euboea, north of Athens, suffered most severely, as the quake centred there. In at least two villages nearly every house was shaken, and many were razed. The shocks caused fissures into which small buildings fell.

The government hurried relief by trucks and railways to the stricken communities. Officials said it was impossible to estimate the material damage.

The quake was so severe in Athens that it put seismographs out of commission but the city suffered no serious damage.

A United Canada

Is Aim Of Youth Congress States Financial Chairman

Vancouver.—Canada's Youth congress is endeavoring to unify Canada by bringing its young people, according to Margaret Eddy, financial chairman of the congress, who was here on a visit from Toronto.

Eddy emphasized that the motives and objectives of the Youth congress," she told interviewers. "Our aim is simply to make Canada a united nation from shore to shore."

DISCUSS MEANS OF KEEPING THE PEACE OF EUROPE

Paris.—Strengthened diplomatically by the state visit of King George and Queen Elizabeth, France sought British support for a European peace by an German campaign against Czechoslovakia as a way of keeping the general European peace.

While the king decorated the tomb of the unknown soldier in a second day of ceremonies, French political leaders attempted to convince Foreign Secretary Viscount Halifax of Great Britain of the need for definite Anglo-French military guardnites to Czechoslovakia.

The official report on the talks merely said that French and British diplomat-guest had "an opportunity of examining the whole international situation" and remarked that the statesmen will to pursue their action of appeasement and conciliation."

A central figure in the talks was Stephan Ousaky, Czechoslovak minister to Paris. A central factor was feared to be a plan for Premier Reichafuhrer Hitler for solution of the Czechoslovak problem which was brought to Paris by Lord Halifax.

Premier Edouard Daladier and Foreign Minister Georges Bonnet brought four other French diplomatic and military leaders into the routine conversation with Lord Halifax at Quai D'Orsay, the foreign office.

These four—General Maxime Conseille Chautemps, Leon Blum and Edouard Herriot and the French ambassador to London, Charles Corbin—were declared to have joined Daladier, Bonnet and the Czechoslovak envoy in telling Lord Halifax that France was determined to support Czechoslovakia's aid in event of a German attack.

The foreign ministry issued the following communique when the day's talks were over:

"The Paris visit of Their Majesties the King and Queen of England has given Lord Halifax, Premier Daladier and M. Bonnet an opportunity of examining the whole international situation as well as questions which particularly interest the two countries.

"During these conversations, which were held in the spirit of mutual confidence which animates Franco-British relations, the ministers, marking once again their common will to pursue their action of appeasement and conciliation, recorded that the complete harmony of their views, established during the French ministers' visit to London, on April 28 and 29, 1938, was entirely maintained."

Hitler's formula for ending the misunderstanding between the Czechoslovak government and the Nazi leaders of the 3,500,000 Sudeten Germans consisted of a plebiscite secret. It was believed Lord Halifax received the plan a few hours before he sailed for France with the king and queen.

London informants said the swift step toward improving English-German relations was the personal message," carried to Viscount Halifax by Captain Fritz Weidemann, who is the fuehrer's personal envoy.

The two met at Lord Halifax's London home for a 20-minute talk. Captain Weidemann was said to have declared there were no fundamental differences that need separate the two nations and that "everything is capable of arrangement."

Great Britain's foreign secretary was believed to have replied that peaceful settlement of the Czech problem, without outside interference, obviously would lead to a clearer atmosphere for negotiations of wider scope.

French Fighting Force Passes In Review Before King George VI.

Paris.—The close co-operation of French and British armed strength was sealed symbolically when 50,000 French fighting men and the newest war machines passed in review before King George VI and the President, Albert Lebrun, of France.

The bonds were further tightened by M. Lebrun's acceptance of the king's invitation to visit Great Britain before his term as president ends, May, 1939. The President and Madame Lebrun will go to London within the first three months of next year.

As a sequel to the military show, Leslie Hore-Belisha, British secretary for war, and the chief of the French general staff, Major-General Marie Gustave Gamelin, will confer and are expected to review Anglo-French co-operation and take further steps to insure effectiveness of the military co-operation plan reached at London in April.

A new spirit of optimism was reflected in quarters close to the foreign office after the impromptu conversations between French and British ministers.

Foreign Minister Bonnet and Foreign Secretary Viscount Halifax held a formal discussion but were said to have talked several times during the military review at Versailles and on trips to and from Paris.

Bonnet also saw Stephen Ousaky, the Czechoslovak minister to Paris, and was reported to have assured him that "the situation in central Europe would develop favorably" with no easing of tension between Germany and Czechoslovakia over the 3,500,000 Germanic minority under the Prahs regime.

The military marked plans for a display of 600 war planes which were to have swept overhead during the ceremonial parade. They took to the sky in mid-afternoon, flying over the Palace of Versailles. The king and queen had watched from the palace grounds.

After the Versailles review the Queen and Madame Lebrun, wife of the chiefs of state for a sumptuous luncheon in the palace.

One hundred and twenty guests were served at a huge table at the Quai d'Orsay. The dinner service was one given to Napoleon and Marie Louise by Czar Alexander I, Philippe Roy, Canadian minister to Paris, and Mme. Roy were among guests.

French sources looked upon the king's invitation of President Lebrun to attend as a most pleasing demonstration of his expressed pleasure over the warm welcome accorded the French chief of state by the government and people of France.

For more than an hour infantry, cavalry and artillery regiments—two of the French army—swung by the red-carpeted reviewing stand at Versailles to the music of massed bands of bands.

King George, in the scarlet tunic of a field marshal, and President Albert Lebrun of France rode past the colorful columns of marching men, totalling 50,000, supported by hundreds of tanks and about 50 aeroplanes.

The King and President Lebrun were taken from the station to the reviewing stand in a bullet-proof automobile flanked by a mounted guard of African Spahis carrying lances.

The review assumed particular significance in the light of the conference of Viscount Halifax, British foreign secretary, Premier Daladier of France and Georges Bonnet, French foreign minister.

At this conference France was reported to have sought a British promise to resist Germany's campaign against Czechoslovakia, as a guarantee of peace.

It was generally considered that the official foreign office communique issued after the diplomatic conference meant just what it said—France and Great Britain stood by the general terms of their April agreement to act together to preserve peace and to be ready to fight together if other efforts failed.

Wins By-Election

Young Barrister Retains Brantford In Liberal Column

Brantford, Ont. — A 31-year-old barrister, one of the youngest candidates to contest an election in Ontario in years, retained Brantford for the Liberal party in a by-election called to elect a successor to the late Hon. M. M. MacBride, provincial minister of labor.

H. Louis Edgley, former alderman and a member of the public utilities commission, polled a plurality of 1,359 votes over Reginald Welsh, Conservative candidate, and two other opponents. The vote: Hagey, 6,284; Welsh, 5,138; Paul Dehrugh, Independent, 1,000; and J. Dewden, Labor-Progressive, 2,344.

The vote of 13,824 was unexpectedly large in view of the number of citizens out of the city on vacation. In last October's general election, when Mr. MacBride died last June 5, was re-elected to his fourth term in the legislature with a plurality of 3,500 over two opponents. The total vote was 15,060.

News Censorship

British Authorities Inaugurate New Policy In Palestine

Jerusalem.—British authorities announced the inauguration of censorship on all newspaper cables from the Holy Land. Cables will be censored between 8 a.m. and 11 p.m. and no despatches will be allowed between 11 p.m. and 8 a.m.

The curfew which authorities imposed to aid in quelling Arab-Jewish disturbances and which at times has had been no new incidents Raids were made in search of hidden arms both in the old and new city.

Hangman Dies

Montreal. — Arthur Ellis, the hangman with little executioner who seldom was known by his real name of Arthur Bartholomew Alexander English, died in hospital here after a brief illness from pneumonia.

The shuffling little man, of snowy-white hair, heavy spectacles and 'a bird's eye' cheek complexion which he stood on scaffolds at daybreak, was 73 years old.

Airplane Production

London.—Sir Kingsley Wood, Air Secretary, announced new moves to step up warplane production. He announced a new aeroplane carburetor factory has been founded in Coventry and that the Bristol Aeroplane Company's plant will be developed through a government grant.

First Survey Flight Of Air Route Across Atlantic Is Completed

Port Washington, N.Y.—Great Britain's 10-ton pick-a-back plane swooped to a graceful stop on the Long Island shore of New York city to complete the year's first survey flight of the projected commercial air route across the north Atlantic.

It was the first flight of its kind. The mouldering hulk of the Mercury in the air from the back of its "mother ship," the Maia, over the Irish coast and made a non-stop flight to Montreal, visited there two hours and 40 minutes, then flew to Port Washington in two hours and 40 minutes.

The Mercury completed the 3,042-mile journey in 22 hours and 28 minutes flying time. The non-stop flight to Montreal's seaplane base at Boucherville, Que., consumed 20 hours and 20 minutes.

Piloted by 29-year-old Captain Donald T. Bennett, with wireless operator Albert J. Coster as the "crew", the plane looked small as it taxied slowly to its mooring compared with the big British and United States flying boats which regularly ply between here and Bermuda.

The plane unloaded at Montreal and New York a shipment of London newspapers and newsreels showing the arrival of King George and Queen Elizabeth on their state visit to Paris. The total cargo was 1,000 pounds.

Mercury completed the first non-stop trans-Atlantic flight ever made to Montreal with 80 gallons of gasoline still in her tanks. When she left Foynes, Eire, it was left to Captain Bennett's discretion whether he would make a refuelling stop at Botwood Newfoundland.

Joking good humoredly with officials about the fuss made over them, Captain Bennett faced the "makes" and cameras.

"I am very happy to arrive in the United States and am pleased at the wonderful reception and the enthusiasm and interest Americans have shown in our flight. This is my first visit here. I hope the flight will help bring the English-speaking peoples closer together."

Bennett said the Mercury "cut loose from the mother ship at about 1,000 feet and after that things went fine, until we ran into strong headwinds and continuous rains after about an hour and a half. But we hit clear weather later."

They lunched over mid-ocean with "coffee and soup from flasks and mixed sandwiches," added Bennett.

To save gasoline, said the slim, dark-haired navigator, they throttled down on reaching Newfoundland, but their average air-speed across the Atlantic was 150 miles an hour.

Methods Being Used For The Restoration Of Prairie Drouth Areas

A comprehensive outline of the difficulties and problems which are being successfully combated by the Prairie Farm Rehabilitation Board in the rehabilitation of the Prairie drought areas was given in a recent issue of Scientific Agriculture by Dr. E. S. Archibald, Director, Dominion Experimental Farms Service and Chairman, Land Utilization Committee, Prairie Farm Rehabilitation Act. The agricultural area in the Prairie Provinces comprises 55,700,000 acres of the 74,000,000 acres of cultivated land in Canada. Fully 54,600,000 acres are in grain and fallow, of which 13,000,000 acres are fallowed annually. Again, of the 40,000,000 acres of range and unimproved pasture in Canada, fully 33,000,000 acres are in the Prairie Provinces.

It should be remembered, states Dr. Archibald, that the drought areas of recent years has been settled during the last 20 to 40 years during a cycle of years when rainfall was normal. The past eight years have been subnormal, yet it should not be forgotten that this area has contributed the largest percentage of wealth in wheat alone during the past 20 years to the sum of $7,000,-000,000. Vast value of other grains, beef, sheep, bacon, and poultry products also come from this area. What has been will again be reproduced. Hence the great national importance of replanned, readjusted, and rehabilitated agriculture in this area.

Successful control of disastrous drought, grasshopper damage, soil drifting, and necessary large scale relief in Canada's dry belt of southwestern Saskatchewan, southwestern Manitoba, and southern Alberta, covering a period of five years, inclusive of 1935, convinced the Dominion Government that drastic and large scale rehabilitation measures were necessary. The emergency earning power of Western Canada, due to a population of most capable farmers in their particular type of production, was to be retained.

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Under land utilization, the solution of the problem of farmers who have been located on light poor soils incapable of maintaining an agricultural population obviously has to determine the type of agriculture to which this land may again be adapted, establishment of community pastures, reserve grazing areas, staff organization, irrigation districts and feed and fodder relief inspection.

Water development has been one of the major activities in assisting the largest number of farmers with the making of dugouts to retain runoff water for domestic purposes and for livestock, dams of stock watering dams, small irrigation dams, community and municipal water projects, and large water development projects for irrigation, many of which have been completed and are now in full use.

To See The King

Venturesome Jewish Boys From Poland Journey To Their Posts

Six Jewish boys, all aged 15, who set out for London in a small sailing boat have been returned to their parents in Warsaw, Poland. They said they intended to call on the King and ask his permission to settle in Palestine.

The boys had sailed as far as Plack about half way between Warsaw and Danzig on the Vistula river, when they were stopped by police. They had provided themselves with charts, the equivalent of about $50 in cash, plenty of canned food, and a gasoline stove.

They planned, after reaching London, to sail for Haifa in Palestine.

A Matter Of Choice

Hong Kong's Customese Restaurants Have Different Prices For Each Floor

Quaint customs are to be found everywhere in the world but no more so than in Hong Kong, where Canton restaurants have different prices for different floors, the higher the floor the higher the price. The food is the same but the roof garden level has the prettiest waitresses, best service, most cheering surroundings and real ivory instead of imitation chopsticks. So it's quite an inducement to go higher up and pay the higher price in Hong Kong.

Deaths From Drowning

Sir Frederick Banting Said To Be Working On Resuscitation Methods

Sir Frederick Banting is working to reduce Canada's annual death toll of 1,000 by drowning. The famous discoverer of the insulin treatment for diabetes and his associates are trying "new methods of breathing" in the form of improved resuscitation techniques.

"Health," the magazine of the Health League of Canada, gave an instance in its June issue of artificial respiration being applied successfully on a person who was under water 30 minutes.

The team's investigators seek to gather all possible exact data on resuscitation of persons after nearly drowning. They point out that the confusion attending drownings and near-drownings, it is seldom possible to make an exact record of the time a victim has been under water, or the length of time spent in artificial respiration attempts.

The team hopes to be able to get exact information on these two points through expert observation on resuscitation cases. They have already made a general request for information bearing on these questions, and Canadian doctors or from individuals who have been present.

The investigators know that in electrical shock cases artificial respiration has been successful after hours, and, therefore, they see no apparent reason for believing that there would be no appreciable earning power of Western Canada, due to a population of most capable farmers in their particular type of production, was to be retained.

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Farms On Rhine

German Labor Battalion Takes Over Farms Owned Land

A German labor battalion took 2,500 acres of French-owned farmlands on the German side of the Rhine during the week declined the Germany's offer to buy the properties.

The mayor of Rheinau said the German Government offered 12,000,000 francs (about $434,000) for the lands but that the owners refused to sell because they considered they were worth five times that much.

Alsatian farmers, in possession of the lands for generations, were permitted to remain as "guests" under agreement between the French and German governments in 1925. Hence the German action came as a surprise to the French.

The "dog watch" is a nautical term distinguishing two watches of two hours each—from 4 to 6 p.m., and from 6 to 8 p.m.

The authors of most of our nursery rhymes are unknown, but it is believed that some of these rhymes we owe to famous writers.

The moon and Mars are the only planets whose solid surfaces actually can be seen.

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New Policy Profitable

European Hoarders Pay Canada Premium For Monetary Gold

Absence of gold exports other than monetary in recent months is understood to be the result of a new policy of exchanging the refined gold for gold held by the Bank of Canada and shipping it abroad where European hoarders are prepared to pay a premium for it.

Figures for monetary gold shipments are not published and finance department officials do not give details of these exports but it is understood this new form of gold export has become profitable because of market conditions abroad.

No gold bullion was exported in June, 1938, as compared with exports to United States of $19,585,000 in May. Nor were there any bullion exports in May although some $16,000,000 worth went to United States in May, 1937.

For some years the federal government has exercised control over all gold exports. Canadian mines sell to the Bank of Canada, are paid on the basis of the exchange rates on New York. The gold then is shipped either to New York or London, mostly to the former market, and the government account with the Bank of Canada credited in the proceeds.

Recently the practice has been to exchange the gold bullion for gold coin. The Bank of Canada reserves on the basis of its weight in fine ounces, and the coin then shipped to London or Paris and paid for there in United States exchange.

How much gold coin has been used for this purpose has not been disclosed but it is understood the Bank of Canada, when first launched in March, 1935, had nearly $100,000,000 in gold in the reserves taken over from the Dominion treasury.

Since the change from bullion to coin there has been no change in the value of the bank's holdings the reserve level shown in the bank statements remains unaltered.

May Prove Difficult

Ruling Austria Is Not As Simple As It Looked

The London correspondent to the Ottawa Journal says Hitler's secret plan is now clear enough that Austria's absorption into the German Reich has not been quite such a simple matter as Berlin expected.

Actually a situation of grave irritation has arisen the reactions of which may be the more serious owing to the fact that Hitler is himself an Austrian by birth. His sympathies must be more or less aroused by the difficulties in which he has involved himself by the drastic methods he has employed to bring about the Anschluss.

Hitler's German critics have ruthlessly acted on the administrative plums in the annexed province, and Austrians find themselves reduced to the status of a helot state.

Sixty years ago Bismarck, no mean international psychologist and statesman, had the new modern Reich vigorously repudiated suggestions that he was aiming to annex Austria. The "Pipe Dream" like ex-Kaiser at dramatically dropped some years before the Great War bluntly declared that the Pan-German madman would dream of such an ill-assorted union as Catholic Austria and Protestant Germany. He would have bitten off more than Berlin can chew.

The Correct Procedure

Secretary Of State Tells How To Propose Toast To The King

Frank P. Gibbs, C.A., president of the Stratford, Ont., Rotary Club, has performed a useful service by clarifying the procedure in toasting the health of His Majesty the King.

Mr. Gibbs addressed a letter of inquiry on the subject to the Secretary of State of Canada and received a reply from the Under Secretary of State, E. H. Coleman, K.C., LL.D. He quote part of Mr. Coleman's letter:

"The toast to the King should be proposed by the chairman or toastmaster after lunch or dinner and should not be proposed with any preface or introductory speech. It is customary for the chairman to arise and saying: "Gentlemen (or ladies and gentlemen), The King." If there is a National Anthem" sung, the correct procedure is for the health to be drunk immediately following it. There should be no delay between the proposing of the toast and the first note of the National Anthem."

Dickens Still Lives

More than 1,000 letters written by Charles Dickens—how on earth did he find time for them?—were sold in London for $18,435. The years seem to show no diminution in public interest in Dickens and his work although it is probable that his books are less read by young people than a quarter century ago.

Willing To Oblige

It wasn't exactly his work, but when Florence Charles Coleman, North Sydney, N.S., received a telephone call while on duty asking him if a fireman would take a ladder and close an office window that had been left open, he readily complied.

It is possible for an airplane to make a safe landing with only half a propeller.

The moonflower is the fastest-growing vine in the world.

ONCE A RICH AUSTRIAN, BUT NOW

Left destitute when Nazis confiscated her husband's vast properties following the Hitler Germanification of Austria, the Princess von Starhemberg, wife of the former chancellor of the former Austria, plans to return to the stage that made her famous. In this latest picture taken of her in Paris, she is shown with her son, Heinrich.

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Good Roads Convention

To Be Held In September At Lake Couchiching, Ontario

Complete official representation of each of the nine provinces of Canada is assured for the 24th annual convention of the Canadian Good Roads Association, to be held at Bigwin Inn, Lake of Bays, Ont., on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, September 6, 7 and 8. Hon. Frank M. Macpherson, Minister of Highways for Ontario, and president of the association, will head a strong delegation from the west, while each of the other eight provinces will be represented by highways ministers, and his deputy, chief engineer or other departmental functionary.

British Empire Cereals

Rice is grown more extensively than any other cereal within the British Empire, and the rice crop closely in importance. The Empire is a small producer of maize (corn); states the Imperial Economic Committee; and the area under rye in the Empire, except in Canada, is negligible, the aggregate production being less than one per cent. of the world total. Canada is the only exporting country of rye in the Empire, and imports into the Empire are almost entirely confined to the United Kingdom.

Tunbridge Wells, England, has sold its war tank relic for scrap iron.

Handiwork That Adds Distinction

Household Arts by Alice Brooks

A Scrap Quilt That You'll Enjoy Making

Fan of Friendship

PATTERN 6184

Here's a quilt a beginner will enjoy making and yet a skilled quilt-maker would be proud to show as her needlework. The fan—so easy to piece—is of scraps of material; the patches that make the lattice are easy to cut since the material can be cut in strips, the patches snipped off as needed. Pattern 6184 contains the Block Chart; carefully drawn pattern pieces; directions for cutting, sewing and finishing; yardage chart; diagram of quilt.

To obtain this pattern send 20 cents in coin (stamps cannot be accepted) to Household Arts Dept., Winnipeg Newspaper Union, 175 McDermot Ave. E., Winnipeg.

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Old Frontiersman

Picturesque Character Found Dead In His Cabin At Yale, B.C.

Joe McKenzie, 79, old-time telegrapher and-trailsman during the early 80's when Andrew Onderonk was laying out the rock-walled canyons of the Fraser Valley for the Canadian Pacific Railway right-of-way, was found dead in his cabin on the river bank at Yale, B.C. He made his home there for close to a half-century.

His death removes one of the most picturesque characters of the west. He wore his whiskers to the third waistcoat button and his hair curled about his shoulders—custom of the early days of the frontier which he continued to his death.

Among those who called here to pay tribute to him was Alan Sullivan, Canadian novelist, who later filmed as "The Great Divide." On that occasion Mr. Sullivan got considerable data from McKenzie.

Re-Vamp Old Laws

Quebec City Bringing Its Civic Regulations Up To Date

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Better Living Conditions In The World Of The Future Pictured By Scientists

Illustration Stations

Show What Is Being Done In The Way Of Modern Agriculture

At the present time there are 183 illustration stations and 47 district experiment sub-stations established throughout Canada by the Experimental Farms Service of the Dominion Department of Agriculture. Nineteen of these stations are in British Columbia, 24 in Alberta, 31 in Saskatchewan, 17 in Manitoba, 17 in Ontario, 51 in Quebec, 20 in New Brunswick, 17 in Nova Scotia, and 14 in Prince Edward Island. An illustration station is established in a neighbourhood for the edification and observation of all, and aims to take the lead in farm organization, cultural practices, and procedures best suited to the district. Orderly, tidy layout, balanced well-kept fields, and practical crops compel notice and suggest being copied in some particular on the home farm of an observer.

By visiting the illustration farm annually on a specified field day, residents of the countryside are brought face to face with what is being done in progressive agriculture. At the field day they discuss the work, ask questions, and listen to lectures which impart the findings, figures, and facts that have a definite bearing on practical problems and interests. Neighbouring farmers may also obtain from the operator of the illustration farm pure seed grain and breeding stock for improvement of their home produce.

In the illustration station program of farm organization and development, the sale of livestock and dairy products makes up the principal wastecoat button and his hair curled about his shoulders—custom of the early days of the frontier which he continued to his death.

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Making It Clear

Lecturer Gives His Opinion Of Modern Dance Music

A visiting lecturer told a Toronto audience the other day what he thought of modern dance music. He put it this way:

"It is St. Vitus dance or epilepsy. It is a coarse vulgar call to the orgies of a neurotic nerotic, of a maladorous paganism, full of filth, ribaldry, viciousness, maudlin staggering drunkenness, blasphemy moral and social idiocy."

One gathers the impression that the lecturer does not like modern dance music, but one does not feel that he over-states his case. There was a time when politicians called one another names with horse-pistols in pocket, or words to that general effect, but nowadays they are more polite. They discovered accidentally that abuse was bad policy because it aroused curiosity in, and sympathy for, the abused party, thus defeating what it sought to do. It is quite possible that so fervid a denunciation of dance music will have an effect not, dissimilar.

Young people will ask themselves, we imagine, what there is about a combination of the elements of sounds that can be moronic, maladorous, pagan, blasphemous and so on, and their answer will be—to amount. It would have been sufficient if the lecturer had said that much modern dance music is bad music made worse by the manner in which it is played. Interspersing vocal bits by members of the orchestra pressed into double duty —Ottawa Journal.

Token Of Friendship

President Federico Laredo Bru has sent President Roosevelt a token of Cuban friendship. It is a 100-word message written on a piece of white human hair three inches long. Vincente Garcia Maldonado, Cuba's foremost miniature writer, labored 75 hours with a special pen and filtered ink to inscribe the words. The message can be read only through a microscope.

In Belleville, Ont., lacking one hip and one leg—but normal in all other ways—a Rhode Island calf born recently is hobbling about quite easily. A shoe company has made an offer for the animal.

Artificial flowers were made in ancient times in China, Egypt, and Rome.

In Java, thunderstorms occur on an average of 222 days a year.

Acquiring An Education

University Training Intended To Teach A Man To Think

A warning against the service-station conception of a university education and of a profession without teaching him to think was given by Lord Tweedsmuir, Canada's governor-general, following his installation as chancellor of Edinburgh University.

Lord Tweedsmuir succeeds the late Sir James Barrie as chancellor of the university.

"A modicum of general culture will not of little value to a young man if he is going to starve," said His Excellency. "On the other hand, if we have only what has been called the vocation state we shall get a university we may have men entering a profession without having been taught to think, without knowing anything worthy of the name of mind.

Miners Buy Village

Save Their Homes From Being Sold At Auction

Grim-faced miners, pitting their meagre savings against the purses of outside buyers, saved most of their homes as the southwestern Pennsylvania mining village of Scottdale went on the auction block.

The mine which had furnished jobs for the 130 families worked out. The Valley Camp Coal Co. announced that it was abandoning the pit and selling the property at auction.

Despite houses bought as high as $650 and single frame structures as low as $85. The properties sold for a total of $30,000.

R. K. Leickliter, a maintenance boss, commented: "The spirits of the men were greatly raised by the sale."

The main ingredient in both hair and fingernails is the same—a substance called keratin.

Devil's Island Abolished

Fight Against French Penal Colonies Has Been Successful

Novelist and scenario writers lose one of their most picturesque locales by decree of the French government. Devil's Island, which is the popular name applied to all the penal colonies in French Guiana, will receive no more recruits. This step will receive the sanctions of humanitarians everywhere, for the French penal system was a remnant of a bygone age that had no place in the Twentieth century.

A year ago Marc Rucart, minister of justice, announced that no more convicts would be sent to the colony which he called "a blot on the honor of France." Now Premier Daladier, exercising his decree power, has amended the penal code to conform. In the future, criminals who would have gone to Guiana will be sentenced to hard labor in French prisons or to solitary confinement.

Convicts already in the colony will serve out their time. Many of them cannot go back home under the terms of their sentence. Most of the "settlers" in Guiana are freed convicts under a ban against their return to France.

One commendable motive for the abolition was the failure of the system to train men for return to normal life after they had been in the colony. In this respect it was like the old prison system employed by England when convicts were exiled to Australia or like the Russian system under which Siberia was largely colonized by the czars.

Thus the colony which won an unwanted fame when the late Col. Alfred Dreyfus was unjustly sentenced there only to clear his name and memoirs of escaped convicts. It is a tribute to the Salvation Army that its hospital is the only one of note to fight to abolish this equatorial Siberia.—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

For Defence Of Eire

People Know They Would Have To Depend On Britain

The last British soldiers have marched off Southern Irish soil to the skirl of Irish pipes. They went quietly. There were no demonstrative cheers by Irishmen along the route to the wharf. Neither were there any jeering boos. There is peace in Ireland to-day. A new airport awaits vails. Irish troops now occupy the forts guarding Cork harbor.

Nonetheless, Eire will in future be responsible for her own defence. But like several other factors in the settlement it is more a paper right than an actual one. And the Irish know it. They have agreed to forbid Irish soil being occupied by foreign troops as a base from which to attack the United Kingdom. In other words, they will resist the landing of a foreign army if they will resist the invasion of their own sovereign rights. The full meaning of "this" is that we but poorly armed country of Eire were to be attacked by another nation either that it become conquered Ethiopia or Austria, or to be a jumping-off place from which to raid Britain, the Eire Government can rely on Britain to attain to leap to their defence with all the might at her command. And in their mutual interests Great Britain will do so.

That is exactly the position in relation to Canada, too. We are an autonomous country within the British Commonwealth and theoretically we claim to be responsible for our own defence. But even those who advance the claim know that in the main we would have to depend on the British Navy and air forces. Eire claims that self-government is responsible for her own defence, knowing full well that in the main she would have to depend on the British Navy and air forces. That is just another illustration of the weird and wonderful way in which the heterogeneous Empire is run.—St. Thomas Times-Journal.

Inspiration To Publishers

Editor Of Ontario Weekly Confined To Sick Room For Years

One of the most ably written editorial pages in the weekly press is that of William McDonald of the Chesley, Ont., Enterprise. For several years Editor McDonald has been confined to the sick room. But propped up in bed he wields a pen whose influence is felt throughout the Dominion. We called the other day to see our friend, said the St. Marys Journal Argus. He has the same gay laugh and the merry yarns, and is essentially the same Bill McDonald who years ago sat in the legislature and who for two generations has been a power for good citizenship up in Bruce County. He is a credit to the profession and an inspiration to his fellow publishers.

Makes Him More Valuable

Once Nip was just a Bendigo Pomeranian but now he is the dog with the gold tooth; and all Bendigo knows it. Nip got the toothache. So his master, who is a Bendigo dentist, extracted the offender and put in the gold one. There was no fuss and no anaesthetic.

Cutting down a tree in Perth, Scotland, workmen found a bird's nest made of confetti bound with wisps of moss.

There are approximately 29,904,700 families in the United States.

Circling The Earth

Flying The Northern Route Cuts Down The Distance

Little boys who may read that Howard Hughes went around the earth in something less than 3½ days may want ot know how about those 25,000 miles of circumference that Teacher made them memorize. Somebody will have to tell them that 25,000 miles is the size of the girdle around the earth at the Equator, where bells are normally worn. Phileas Fogg, who went around the world in 80 days, skirted the Equator part of the way. Intrepid aviator Captain Amelia Earhart set out deliberately to parallel the Equator as close as one could.

To go around in 15,509 miles, as Howard Hughes or the late Wiley Post, one must lay a course approximately between the 40th and 50th parallels, with a slant down to New York's approximate 40 degrees. And returning by flying an average, Hughes might be called the Fifty-fifth Parallel champion.

He or somebody else might do the circle round the globe ten degrees farther south, where the distance around the circle would be thousands longer, for the Forty-fifth Parallel crown.

So we might keep on to the Thirty-fifth Parallel or Hatteras-Mediterranean-Gobi Championship, and the Twenty-fifth or Tropic of Cancer Championship, until we come to the Equator or Diamond Belt championship with its full 25,000 miles.

Became Too Common

Japan No Longer Glorifies War Widows Who Commit Suicide

Japanese newspapers no longer embazon the story of the faithful wife who commits suicide when informed that her soldier-husband has been killed in China. They don't even print it.

The reason is that too many women followed the original example.

Late last year, shortly after the war started, Shimbun published in his will, a message to his wife telling her to follow him if he lost his life.

One day, she learned he had been killed in action. She dressed in her wedding kimonon and went to Atami, Japan's honeymoon resort where they had spent their honeymoon. There, she wrote a note explaining allegiance to Shinto she was returning to, or to be a jumping-off place from which to raid Britain, the Eire Government can rely on Britain to attain to leap to their defence with all the might at her command. And in their mutual interests Great Britain will do so.

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Officially Recognized

British Plane And British Aviator Hold World Height Record

A British aviator and a British airplane now officially hold the world altitude height. They reached, there at 53,937 feet (16,440 metres) and was established on June 30, 1937, by Flight-Lieutenant M. J. Adam, in a British 1354 machine. The record has been given official recognition by the Federation Aeronautique International. Flight-Lieutenant Adam has since been awarded the Air Force Cross and has received the congratulations of the Air Council of Great Britain.

Doubtful Admiration

"It seems that you were entirely to blame," said the magistrate, sternly. "You made an unprovoked attack on Mrs. Brown while she was admiring your baby. What have you to say for yourself?"

"Admiring my baby, was she?" commented the woman in the dock. "She comes up to the pram and she says, 'My! what a beauty! And how long have you been keeping a menagerie?'"

A theatre is to be built in Singapore, Malaya, for the showing of Indian and Chinese films.

An American claims to be able to charm cobras with a saxophone. Suffering snakes! 2263

FIFTY YEARS OF PROGRESS IN LOCOMOTIVES

An interesting picture marking fifty years in the life of the famous "Flying Scotsman" trains which daily travel the length of England to Scotland. On the left is the fifty-year-old "Flying Scotsman" and the new "Flying Scotsman," right, which has just been put into service.

Dig Up History

Bones Of Famous Personages To Be Buried In Common Grave In Britain

Remains of Highwayman Jack Sheppard, Courtesan Nell Gwynne and many other persons famous or notorious in English history, will be buried soon in a common grave near Bisley, England.

A great pile of bones from five vaults below St. Martin-in-the-Fields churchyard will be moved to Brookwood cemetery and the vaults will be demolished.

Since they were buried in the 17th and 18th centuries the remains of many noted figures have been disturbed more than once.

In recent years development of the playground has necessitated demolition of some of the vaults. The bones were stacked into the remaining vaults. During their wanderings they lost their identity.

However, the pile that will be taken to Brookwood is known to contain bones of other characters besides Sheppard and Charles II's mistress.

There are the bones of Anne Turner, hanged in 1615 for poisoning Sir Thomas Overbury; William Colson, painter known as the "English Van Dyck"; George Farquhar, restoration dramatist, and others prominent in the nation's life.

Accustomed To Interviews

Reporters Find Really Big Men Are Always Modest

Experience has taught most reporters that the "big names" are usually "big" men and will chat with the reporter in an offhand, informal way. The "big" men are assured of their dignity and do not have to make an effort to maintain it. They like being interviewed by interviewers and do not regard it as an event. They know, too, that the reporter has interviewed other celebrities and does not regard it as an event either.

Making Good Living

In a town outside 40-foot cutter which it took them a year to build, three lads, Hughie, Alan and Bill Haldane, Melbourne, Australia, are earning their living by hooking sharks, the clean, white, boneless flesh of which is a recent popular addition to the city's fish diet. They are rejoicing over a record day's fishing they have just done—50 boxes worth £200.

Scores of children, already fatherless, were becoming orphans.

To-day, the Japanese widow is glorified because she doesn't follow her husband to the next world, but carries on, alone, in this one.

New Regulations

Lutheran Church In Cleveland Has Strict Rules For Weddings

Faith Lutheran Church in Cleveland has banned the conventional kiss at the altar after wedding ceremonies.

Dr. Arthur Carl Piepkorn, resident pastor, announced that the parish also had adopted these regulations:

No rice or confetti shall be thrown at the door of the church;

Wedding rehearsals shall be as few and as brief as possible;

And

"Secular and operatic music," such as the familiar Wedding March from "Lohengrin," "I Love You Truly", "O, Promise Me," "At Dawning" and "Because," shall be replaced by ecclesiastical wedding music or the chant nuptial music of the ancient church.

Dr. Peipkorn said the Lutheran Church has long advocated such rules.

Intrepid Airman

Makes Successful Flight Across Channel In A 1929 Model Plane

Douglas P. Corrigan, a Los Angeles air pilot, is vacationing in New York after a non-stop trans-continental flight which he completed in a 1929 model Curtis Robin plane valued at about $800.

Corrigan landed late one Saturday night at Roosevelt Field, Long Island. Although he carried no parachute and his plane is not equipped with either radio or instruments for blind flying the intrepid airman brought his plane to earth with less than five gallons of gasoline left out of his starting load of 250 gallons.

The Far East

A distinguished man from Boston took a Western trip for his vacation. Strolling around Salt Lake City one day, he made the acquaintance of a little Mormon girl.

"I'm from Boston," he said to her. "I suppose you do not know where Boston is?"

"Oh, yes, I do," answered the little girl eagerly. "Our Sunday school has a missionary there."

Man's ingenuity is dandy, but how do you suppose China's feeling now, recalling the fact that several centuries ago it invented gunpowder?

Milk does not lose any of its nutritive value when it becomes sour.

Use Of Armed Force

English Bishops Justify Defence Of International Law

Signature of most Rev. William Temple, Archbishop of York and onetime member of the Labor party, heads those of 19 bishops and four other leading churchmen who believe use of armed force in defence of international law is justified.

In a long statement the clergymen described themselves as representatives of a "great multitude who have been rendered anxious about the moral basis of foreign policy and rearmament as a result of the recent trend of events."

They said that to many people it was less evident than three years ago on what moral principles foreign policy should be based and in what circumstances it might be justifiable to resort to armed force.

They blamed deterioration of the situation on failure to stand by principles of the League of Nations "at various critical points." They mentioned two in particular: Failure of the league to act effectively on the Lytton report in the conquest of Manchuria by Japan and delay in application of sanctions in the Ethiopian war at a time when they might have been effective.

In both cases they said, "our own country had a large measure of responsibility."

Outdistanced The Sun

Hughes And His Companions Saw It Rise Five Times

Howard Hughes' flight demonstrated the trick that speed can play with man's accepted system of time. The was pointed out by the National Geographical Society, which said: "In his four days of flight Hughes and his companions saw the sun rise five times and at the other inhabitants of the earth outside the Arctic and Antarctic circles, could see it rise only four times. This was because Hughes, flying in the same direction that the earth was turning on its axis, actually outdistanced it one complete lap.

Quite Agreeable

The story goes that Andrew Lang, essayist and historian, wrote to Israel Zangwill, the novelist, asking him to take part in an author's reading for the benefit of a charity. He received in reply the following laconic message: "If A Lang will—I Zangwill."

BRITISH BOMBERS IN FLIGHT

British bombers, looking like huge bats, fly Line Astern during a routine flight. They are the fastest single-engine bombing planes now in use in large numbers in the Royal Air Force, and have a speed of approximately 260 miles an hour. Two guns are carried, one fixed in the starboard wing, and the other moveable in the rear cockpit.

Friend Of The Birds

Poor Man Feeds Them Every Night In Vancouver

Every night for eight years Alex Christie has fed the birds and stray cats in Vancouver, and they won't go hungry as long as he can carry around his cardboard box filled with restaurant scraps.

The sharp-featured little Scotsman, whose sandy hair hangs in ringlets on the shoulders of his ragged coat, said he "took pity" on the pigeons and seagulls when the city began administering Victory spruce, a small part in the centre of Vancouver.

"They took care of the flowers and grass, but nobody paid any attention to the birds," he said.

Christie, 57, used to spend "49 to 50 cents a day" on stale bread for his pets. When his income from magazine-peddling was cut off he begged scraps from restaurants and spread his nightly handouts in back alleys and on the smooth grass of the square. Pointing to his ragged clothes and broken shoes, he said he could do with a handout himself.

"When I had money to spend on myself, I used to ask me if I thought I was a millionaire," he chuckled. "I said if I was I'd be too busy looking after my millions to worry about birds. You have to be poor to know what life is."

Suicide Mania

Two Hundred Persons Attempt Self Destruction in England Every Week

Two hundred persons attempt suicide every week in England and Wales but only about half succeed.

Analysing suicides in the "Practitioner", Prof. Sidney Smith, internationally-known medico-legal expert, urged a committee be established by which the causes and condition that contribute to self-destruction.

Dr. Smith believes danger signals are impatience of discipline, imprudent and irrational behavior, fits of depression, fear of insomnia and inability to concentrate.

He stresses the importance of personal being in harmony with their work and suggests lack of interest is one of the danger signals.

Commonest age for suicide lie in the fifties. Three times as many men as women take their lives, but of those women live longer than the male. And as if to anticipate male arguments that longevity means nothing but syndicated vital statistics from all over the world to show that women are stronger from birth. A greater percentage of girl babies dying in the first year of life than male babies.

Latest examination to men, the yearbook showed that their average length of life, as well as women, is on the decline, a result mainly of ill health.

To prove it, he went through a series of physical jerks on the slippery deck despite the encumbrance of a sword.

"There you are," the Admiral said. "Some of us old ones are just as young as you young ones—and not even breathing hard."

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Still Perfectly Fit

Admiral Retiring To Make Way For Younger Men

Admiral Sir Edward Evans told the story of the training ship Exmouth in the Thames at London that he was retiring in December, but not on account of ill health.

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Fully Aware Of Risk

Foreign Owners Of Boats Take Chances In War Zone

We will defend with all our power the right of British ships to go free and securely along the pathways of the high seas, yet we cannot undertake to guide and guard those ships in and out of ports within the area of war. They go there well knowing the risks and—as far as the foreign owners are concerned—well calculating the profits. For, of course, those "British" bottoms are not always, nor often, British except in their superstructure. They fly the Red Ensign at the masthead, and some are owned by Greeks.—London Daily Express.

A King's Taste

Egyptian Ruler Chose Cake, Cheese And Lemonade For Lunch

A member of the Egyptian Chamber of Deputies met King Farouk and his young wife in Cairo. The royal couple were out driving, and accepted the gentleman's invitation to dine under condition that Farouk should choose the menu. He selected cake, cheese and lemonade.

Unclaimed Property

Secretary Oliver Phillips of Vancouver General Hospital has accumulated $7,600 in the past 35 years from sale of unclaimed property left by patients and has a roomful of effects on hand. The hospital has to hold until called for anything received over and above the patient's bill, from sale of effects.

Whipping cream sweetened with a teaspoonful of honey instead of sugar has a delightful flavor and stays whipped all day.

Wood pulp is turned into rayon by aid of chemicals made from ordinary salt, sulphur, coal, air and water.

Sweet potatoes are roots; Irish potatoes are stems.

It's about time they equipped the dove of peace with a gas mask.

Forgotten Ports

Britain May Divert Shipping From East To West Coast

Announcement by Leslie Burgin, British minister of transport, that consideration was being given by the government to diversion of shipping from the east to the west coast in time of war, has focused interest on Great Britain's "forgotten" ports.

Of the places that sent great fleets of men o' war and merchantmen to sea during the middle ages some are now picturesque fishing villages, drawing more profit from tourists than their ships. Some accommodate only ferryboats and yachts. Others have fallen into near decay.

The minister's statement has aroused hopes in these communities that their lost importance and prestige will be restored to a position more they will form a vital part of Britain's defensive bulwark.

The harbors brought back into the limelight dot the coast from Plymouth, round the Cornish shoreline, by the Severn mouth to Wales and back to the Clyde.

Fowey, Cornwall's famous little harbor that now trafics chiefly in the China clay, used to be the base to the siege of Calais in the reign of Edward III. Ilfracombe provided six.

Portsmouth, impressive home of the modern navy, was put in the shade centuries ago as a seat of naval power by the port of Lyuning-Lynn which now berths only yachts, ferryboats and a few small coastal craft.

Among the "lost" harbors of the south coast which owe their extinction to the vagaries of drifting sand, Winchelsea, New Romney and Sandwich were once proud members of the cinque ports, England's first line of defense to the invader. Their lord warden was once bound to provide 57 ships, fully equipped and manned, for the king's service.

Interesting Statistics

Given In Latest Yearbook Published By League Of Nations

The League of Nations has come out with some interesting facts which gives the lie to the assertion that women are the weaker sex.

The publication of the League's statistical yearbook showed that the female of the species, wherever born —Chicago, Yokohama, Naples or Cape Town—lives longer than the male. And as if to anticipate male arguments that longevity means nothing but syndicated vital statistics from all over the world to show that women are stronger from birth, it quotes figures to prove girl babies dying in the first year of life than male babies.

Latest examination to men, the yearbook showed that their average length of life, as well as women, is on the decline, a result mainly of ill health.

Thus in the United States to-day the average boy can expect to reach the age of 60.72 years, whereas a boy born in 1929 can expect a life span of only 59.31 years.

The yearbook brought out that the world's population, which it estimated at 2,115,800,000 is "growing old." In the United States, for instance, 5.9 per cent. of the population in 1910 was less than five years old and only 5.7 per cent. over 60 years of age, while in 1935 the under-five years while 8.5 is over 60. The same trend was noticed in "old countries" like France, England and Germany.

Branding Swans

Centuries-Old Custom Is Still Maintained In England

A fleet of six swift rowboats started up the Thames from London on the annual, centuries-old expedition to brand the year's crop of young swans.

Manned by the King's swan-keeper and the markers who do the actual branding, the little fleet moved along leafy banks into quiet backwaters where the swans nest among the reeds.

Ownership of the birds on the Thames is a three-cornered partnership. The King's share has not been marked in recent centuries. But the other swans, which belong to the two city livery companies, the vintners and the dyners, must be branded.

The swans put up a stiff fight in the water and sometimes the bouts upset the boats.

Revolver Competition

Calgary City Police Squad Captures Highest Place

A Calgary city police squad captured the 1938 Dominion marksmen chief constables revolver competition, scoring 1,413 out of 1,500, while a team of provincial police from Victoria, B.C., took top honors in the two tournament with a 1,360 out of 1,500 count. Dominion marksmen headquarters announced.

Runners-up and scores in the senior competition were five-man teams from Victoria, 1,412; Montreal, 1,396; Toronto, 1,396; Winnipeg, 1,396, and Saskatoon, 2,380. In the novice contest, Toronto police finished second with 1,343.

Houses For Birds

As time goes on, more and more birds will come to accept man's offerings in the way of homes. The approach of civilization gradually cuts down the natural locations of the nests of birds, and they come to look more favorably on man-built houses.

WORLD HAPPENINGS BRIEFLY TOLD

A university president was chosen to head the British Broadcasting Corporation.

Despite constant Japanese bombings, the Canton-Hankow railway realized a profit of $4,000,000 for the financial year ending June 30.

A. P. Patrick, one of the first residents of Calgary and the oldest practicing surveyor in the Dominion, was 80 years old on July 18.

Miss Majorly S. Liddell, of Johannesburg, South Africa, is making a tour of Canada and the United States to study Canadian and American architecture.

Remodelling of hundreds of grain elevators in the west closed during drouth years is now under way to handle the 1938 crop, grain men stated.

Constable E. R. S. Fink of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, Ottawa, suffered a fractured skull when the motorcycle he was driving collided with an automobile.

Adelard Godbout, leader of the provincial Liberal party, announced sweeping plans for reorganization of the Liberal political organization in Quebec.

Auxiliary armament plants designed to supplement the output of government munition factories in case of an emergency are to be established in South Australia, Defence Minister H. V. C. Hosking announced.

Descabezado volcano, 12,750 feet above sea level on the frontier between Argentina and Chile, erupted recently, pouring forth ashes and causing persons living in the vicinity to flee. The volcano had been comparatively quiet since 1932.

Alpine Flowers

Parks In Rockies Covered With A Profusion Of Bloom

Each year wild flowers provide a brilliant setting for visitors to the alpine regions of the National Parks of Canada in the Rockies. High tablelands are now veritable seas of colour, with waves of blue and rose and white and yellow and vivid green breaking against the stern grey of the rocks. The profusion of flowers which bedeck both road and mountain side are comparable only to the autumn glory of the eastern forests, but the alpine flower season is a delightful combination of spring, and early summer as regards the dazzling autumn pageant in the lowlands is tinged with regret, marking as it does the passing of summer.

The Indian paint brush is one of the most important contributors to the alpine display. The colour varieties run from nearly white through yellow and orange to deep red. Clumps of hedysarum and vetches add blue and purple to the mass, while levels the ordinary prickly rose is a show in itself.

Above the line the dwarf plants characteristic of the Arctic zone hasten to flower before the snowline moves down hill again. Here mountain sheep find white and rose heathers, dryas, saxifrages, the frail anemone, and the beautiful purple moss campion.

Many of the alpine flowers do not take part in the mass display, but are none the less dear to those who seek them out. The blue forget-me-not along the trails is one of these. The pure white ladies' slipper and calypso, and purple clematis, columbines, and a host of others, some familiar to almost every visitor, but many new and strange.

Old Timers Believe Story

That Satan's Footprints Are On Island Off Nova Scotia

About three miles off the eastern coast of Nova Scotia is a small island, known as White Head light, where Satan is supposed to have walked, according to this story by Anne Loney.

Old-timers do not take kindly to your doubting their story and will promptly offer to show you his footprints in order to prove their statement. Some will tell you that Captain Kidd buried his loot here and that the devil is guarding it; others, that a sailor murdered two children and disposed of their bodies on this spot, while still others claim it is the place where many scenes of mutiny, piracy and bloodshed were enacted.

Whatever the explanation, there is no doubt about the footprints. I have seen them myself. They appear to be those of someone who walked out of the woods, across the rocks and into a clump of bushes. Those of one foot are clear and defined, while those of the other are round and deformed the latter according to the story-tellers, being positive proof that they are those of the devil, for has he not one good foot and one cloven hoof?

Sirius the Dog Star is sometimes called the Syrian Star because Greek observers sighted it rising over Syria.

The longest non-stop air mail route in the United States is 642 miles long, and lies wholly in the state of Texas.

In memory of the owners who died doing their duty 30 brass helmets are preserved at the headquarters of the London fire brigade.

Might Be Solution

Story If True Would Clear Up Old Sea Mystery

Few mysteries of the sea, says the Hamilton Spectator, have aroused greater interest than the case of the Mary Celeste, found in full sail by the Dei Gratia, but allegedly without a soul on board and taken into Gibraltar as a derelict. There have been several theories to account for the strange phenomena. It was stated in evidence before a prize court, that there was no sign of a struggle on board; that a meal had evidently just been partaken of before the ship had been abandoned; that the cargo was intact, the cashbox unbroken and that the one ship's boat still hung to the davits.

Among the explanations subsequently offered by the inventive was a story to the effect that a swimming match had been arranged between the captain and the mate and that the press of spectators on the occasion of the finish caused the ship, the entire company being precipitated into the water. All but one were eaten by sharks, and the one who escaped was picked up by a boat and his body picked up on the coast of Africa. There were many other guesses, more or less fantastical, but the current number of Overseas contains an interesting article which probes deeply into the mystery.

It seems that nine years ago a book was published, purporting to be the story of an old man living in England who said he had actually been a member of the Mary Celeste's crew, serving as cook on the ill-fated ship. According to him, there was bad feeling between the captain and the mate and affairs on board were precipitated by the latter striking the cook on the head with a meat tin. The blow caused the captain's wife, whereupon he jumped overboard. Another man was lost as the result of this, then the mate and the two seamen decided to desert the ship. The cook and the three remaining seamen, however, worked the ship till they fell in with the Dei Gratia. On the strength of this, Overseas concludes that the officials who investigated the case, if the book can be accepted as fact, exploded one of the most sensational "derelict" yarns in marine annals.

May Attract Lightning

Tall Isolated Objects Should Be Avoided In A Storm

During a thunderstorm keep away from all isolated objects, such as a tree or church spire, R. Meldrum Stewart, Dominion Astronomer, Ottawa, advises.

Mr. Stewart referred to the death of *George Bennett*, 35, at Brule Lake when lightning struck the boy after he climbed to a spot for refuge. He picked a danger spot, an isolated tree, for refuge from the storm.

If the tree has a great distance height, or one of a group, the danger would have been much less. If one is caught in a storm, the natural thing to do seems to be to run for shelter under a tree, said Mr. Stewart. It is really the most dangerous thing to do.

In cities and towns there are many high structures with metal roofs or spires that attract lightning to ground it. This makes these places safer than the open country. However, the fires are well protected or they are apt to suffer from the lighting and the danger then is that falling materials will injure somebody.

Have Proved Effective

Salt Preparations Invaluable For Those Who Suffer From Heat

In Britain, where the heat is not so intense but the climate is more humid, salt preparations are often taken by manual workers to prevent summer fatigue. It has been years since U.S. steel mills and other industries resorted to avert heat-stroke among their workmen by putting salt capsules within reach so they should eat and eat and get thirsty and drink plenty of water. Now the same trick is being adopted in the city

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Trade Treaty

Joint Efforts Towards A Broader Agreement Is Desirable, Says Farley

Postmaster General James A. Farley of the United States said it was "to the mutual credit" of his country and Canada that downward economic trends of the past year had been regarded as an "added incentive rather than a deterrent" to their joint efforts toward a broader trade pact.

In his address to the Canadian Club at Victoria, Mr. Farley said the progress of trade negotiations between Ottawa and Washington "transcends all other questions in importance for our two countries."

"When our first trade agreement was signed November 15, 1935, I think we all realized, how important a step we were taking," he said. "Adjustment to the new position was on the whole easy, and it seems a little strange to us now that we should have been so long in providing a firm contractual basis for our commercial relations.

"We made a good beginning in 1935 and I think the individuals are few and far between who doubt that the agreement now in force had operated to the real advantage of both countries.

"Although we have just cause to be gratified with that agreement, we have rightly regarded it not as a final 'step' but as a green light beckoning us forward."

He said there were definite indications that the downward trend of industry had been checked.

Establishment of air communication through northern Canada had been another key achievement, Mr. Farley said. Inauguration in the near future of Trans-Canada Air Lines transcontinental service would be "an important step in the development of Canadian air transportation."

Mr. Farley referred briefly to the proposed Alaska highway through British Columbia and the Yukon territory.

Construction of that road would be accomplished ultimately, he said, "for the mutual benefit of both countries."

The Balmy North

Visitor Finds Salubrious Climate At Aklavik In The Arctic Circle

Aklavik, the post on the delta of the Mackenzie River, is well within the Arctic Circle but the summer temperature there reminded Miss Loreen Squires, the girl who photographs birds, of her home town—Harper, Kansas.

"I expected it would be quite cool that far north and was all prepared," she said. "But it seemed almost as warm as in Kansas. It was so in the shade one day."

Miss Squires returned to Edmonton from a six-week tour of Canada's northland during which she photographed bird life for Canadian and United States magazines. She left for Churchill, Man., on board the Hudson's Bay Company supply ship, Nascopie. She is now for the fourth Arctic in search of more pictures of birds.

New Liner Launched

Mauretania, The Largest Ship Ever Built In England

To the cheers of almost 100,000 watchers Great Britain's new 33,000-ton trans-Atlantic liner Mauretania was launched in the mile-wide Mersey estuary off Birkenhead.

The huge black, white and red hull glided into the water and always greased with seven tons of tallow.

The Mauretania, namesake of the earlier British liner, is the largest ever built on Merseyside. Queen Mary and the new Queen Elizabeth, both larger, were built in Scotland.

The Mauretania is designed to cater to the lower-priced trans-Atlantic tourist trade and is expected to make 22 knots—below the speed of the larger, extra fare ships but still fast enough for a quick crossing.

She will ply between England and New York, starting early in 1939.

A person who sleeps very soundly for short periods is less subject to fatigue than he who sleeps long hours.

One-fourth of the 80,638 students at British universities, university colleges, and technical colleges are women.

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Importance Being Recognized

People Giving More Serious Thought To Good Moving Pictures

Recently the heads of three nations—the United States, Holland, and Britain—have been approached for assistance in the making of films. Only one of these replied unfavorably. In view of past experiences, it is surprising—and perhaps important—that the other two were Britain and Holland.

Queen Wilhelmina of Holland herself read through and authorized the script of a film dealing with the 40 years of her reign, suggesting the omission of a reference to her husband, the Prince Consort, and her favorite photograph of Princess Juliana, taken at the age of three. Furthermore, King George VI. gave special permission for several scenes of Herbert Wilcox's new picture about Queen Victoria, "Sixty Years a Queen," to be taken at Balmoral and in Buckingham Palace. President Roosevelt, on the other hand, as is quite natural, has declined to allow news reels of himself addressing a joint session of Congress to appear in Goldbeyer's "The Lady and the Cowboy."

Generally speaking, the film industry in the United States is determined to be of such importance that it can rely on an immense amount of official help. It is believed in Europe that the whole United States Navy would turn out to assist in the making of a film about Admiral Nelson, and that it have rarely been treated by official authorities as of much importance. That is why the recent decision of the moving picture industry to appoint a director of censorship, and to give him full authority to ban films which are considered unsuitable, is being watched with interest by the rest of the world.

Many of the films which have been received so far for the projected civil air guard, Sir Kingsley Wood, Secretary of State for Air, declared at the inauguration of the new Exeter airport.

The civil air guard, organization of which was announced recently by the air secretary, was devised to create thousands of new British civilian pilots by volunteers, women and youths for instruction at the various aeronautic clubs.

Although the quick response the project has met throughout the country, Sir Kingsley observed that the progress would be under way by July 1, a month earlier than anticipated.

Of the 16,000 applications already received, the air secretary explained that not all would meet the necessary qualifications, but he added that a great majority of them would be their hopes materialized by participating in some active role in the development of aeronautics.

Sir Kingsley concluded: "Apart from the help that could be given in times of emergency, the scheme will be a blessed lasting benefit to civil aviation. The best way of making the country airminded is to get the people interested. Many are anticipating actively in flying, and that can only be done by making flying cheaper, which is what the new scheme aims to do."

North Pole Weather Bureau

Envisages The Use Of A Submarine For This Purpose

A $150,000 expedition and submarine for use as a permanent weather bureau under the ice at the North Pole is envisaged by Sir Hubert Wilkins, Arctic explorer and Antarctic aviator.

Sir Hubert says weather reports must be constantly received before a regular air route can be established across the polar icefields.

"Life in such a submarine would be quite comfortable, as the temperature of the Arctic ocean is only 32 degrees Fahrenheit, although the air is much colder."

Sir Hubert says he has perfected an instrument which would drill a hole through three miles of ice, so that scientists could get to the surface to take observations.

Built In Record Time

New Liner Mauretania Ready For Launching Stage In 14 Months

When the Cunard White Star liner Mauretania, 33,000 tons gross, was launched from the Cammell Laird yards, and it is the fourth of the 20-28, she established a record in shipbuilding. The ship "the largest intermediate liner so far built in England," was the quickest in the launching stage in 14 months. Everything about the Mauretania is on the imposing scale. The main gray-wheels interposed between the turbines and the twin propeller shafts are the largest ever built for a liner, measuring 46 feet in circumference and weighing 60 tons each. The propellers, which each weigh 25 tons, are equal in size to those of the Queen Mary.

England's drought this Spring cost farming communities about fifty million dollars within three months.

About the only fixed line on the map, Sierra Leone is the equator, and that's an imaginary one.

To Protect The Public

Reason For Law Regarding Periodic Registration Of Firearms

The following editorial appeared in a recent issue of the Family Herald and Weekly Star:

No one suspects that you are going to use that old war pistol in your house to hold up a bank, or even to commit a murder. It isn't the slightest danger to anyone—as long as it stays in the bureau drawer. But supposing someone gets hold of it and obtains cartridges. Then one more it is ready to kill at the crook of a finger.

That is one of the chief reasons why Parliament this session passed a law providing for the re-registration of revolvers and pistols every five years, and why the Royal Canadian Mounted Police is asking for the co-operation of the public in making the registration complete. If they know where every legally owned pistol is in the country, it is of immense assistance to the police authorities in their fight against crime.

Why keep a revolver in the house anyway, unless you are absolutely sure that you need it? There is no ways the possibility, often not such a very remote one, that it will be used by a burglar against yourself. There is always the chance, too, in the best regulated houses, that someone will pull into untrained hands, say, of a child, and will be the cause of a terrible accident. The R.C.M.P. think that in many cases it is not worth the risk, and they are right. Anyway, if you must keep one, register it, as the law says you must.

Beat The Depression

Unemployed Man Builds Up Business On Fine Idea

Five years ago unemployed Hiram Broe invested his last $60 in a boat to ply on the waters of the Red River in the heart of Winnipeg. To-day he employs six men and his investment has grown to 600 feet of docks, almost 100 boats and two machine shops.

Born 46 years ago on a remote homestead in the North Sea, Broe first came to Winnipeg in 1919. In 1933, jobless and almost penniless, he borrowed the loan of a boat livery to beach resorts. "The river water is as clean as lake water, perhaps cleaner," he thought. Since then his business has grown steadily. On his own property he has filled in river bank slides which required 3,000 loads of fill.

"It hasn't been easy, but it has been good," said Broe. "I sleep on the job. Don't get as much out of it as the men do." He visions the day when slow-pitching houseboats and progressive parties of the river cities banks will be banded with driveways and dotted with swimming pools, transforming the havens of recreation for tired city folk.

Just Uses Key Words

New System Makes Reading Of Any Foreign Language Easy

A University of Toronto graduate claims he has discovered a system, using 11,500 "front-page" words, by which a reading knowledge of any language can be gained in 10 hours. Redpath Drummond, the inventor, said the words do not have to be memorized.

Drummond said playing simultaneous blindfolded chess gave him the idea that if one knows the "characteristic pattern of the sentence," he can fit in the meaning by recognizing a number of key words in the sentence.

The inventor does not claim it is possible to learn to speak a language in 10 hours.

Napoleon's Hat Sold

Faded And Shapeless It Brought $800 At Paris Auction

Eight hundred dollars is a lot of money ot pay for a hat—especially when the hat looked as shapeless and faded and a little shapeless. But that's what was paid for Napoleon's headgear at an auction in Paris, the reason the hat looked so depressed was because it had fallen into the water once while Napoleon was being taken to the Isle of Elba. After that Bonaparte gave the hat to his chamberlain. An autographed document, sewn into the crown testified to this, and nothing from a Luther Bible to a lock of Bonnie Prince Charlie's hair can be purchased at these sales.

Will Hear Testator's Voice

A resident of Brisbane, Australia, is making a will by having his wishes recorded on a gramophone record. The will is in safe custody, and it is the wish of the testator that the record should be played in the hearing of his relatives after his death.

Model Tractor In Jug

Mendious P. Smith, Peoria, Illinois, has constructed a wooden model tractor inside a gallon glass jug. It took three weeks to manipulate the parts through the one and one-eighth inch neck and get them into place with two pieces of wire.

Whether he intended starting an "Uncle Tom's Cabin" show or not is unknown, but on that 1492 trip to America, Columbus is reported to have brought about 20 bloodhounds along with him.

Algeria has lifted its ban on shipping its beautiful horses abroad.

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Cancer Treatment

Radium Threads Said To Be A New Method

Invention of radium threads, a new method of treating cancer, was announced at the New York City Cancer Institute.

The threads are made by taking ordinary "sutures" used by surgeons for sewing up wounds, and inserting into them, spaced like beads, tiny gold or silver "seeds." The seeds, long used in cancer treatment, contain radon, the gas from radium, which gives off exactly the same rays as radium.

The seeds are so small the surgical needle can be threaded through them, be sewn into, or around a cancer. The advantage for the "thread radium," according to Drs. Gilbert Dalton, Dr. Fred Hanes and associates, is the certainty of placing the burning substance in precisely the best locations.

The threads are spaced, as a rule, from a half to one centimetre apart.

Another use of the radium thread is for cancer of the stomach. The threads are placed in rubber bags, lining it so as to cover a surface about equal to the inside area of the stomach. The bag is deflated, swallowed, inflated, and the patient then has a radium "screen" over or less blanketing his "lesion".

The radium threads are sterile, like ordinary surgical sutures, and hence safe for use in the tissues of the body.

The announcement stated that the new method has proven exceptionally effective in treatment of mouth cancer. The patient can continue to eat and drink without much inconvenience and does have to stay in or near, a hospital bed.

Fighting For Peace

British Prime Minister Is Keeping To Only Sane Course

If any of the "Peripatetic" mixers want war, Chamberlain is not their man. He is fighting his battle for peace, and he is showing an unmistakable determination of British battalions all down through history, fighting for victory. He knows as well as possible the chance. Wherever he sees a whiff of smoke curling upward that may indicate fire, he promptly pours water on the dancing spot. He has done this in the Spanish unrivil war again and again. Now he has done it in Czechoslovakia.—Montreal Star.

Seeds Were Still Alive

Taken From Egyptian Tomb Yield Green Peas In Blue Pods

Green peas in dark blue pods were exhibited in England at a Harrow Weald (Middlesex) horticultural show.

They had been grown from seed which had been lying dormant for 4,000 years in Tutankhamen's tomb, discovered a few years ago.

A. Aldridge explained that one of the excavators handed some of the seed to a friend, who gave it to Aldridge's amazement, the seed grew. A few of the pods were given to Mr. Aldridge's son, who began growing the pea on a large scale.

Fishing In The Upper Air

Scientists Look Above The Earth For Rust Spores

United States agriculture department scientists are going fishing in the upper air for rare, living spores which may help them learn how to gain control of destructive plant diseases, including black stem rust of grain. They are going far above the earth with a "fishing rod" which is an instrument once used by Col. N. Charles Lindbergh for studying the upper air. The rod is a long tube used to collect specimens of minute plant parasites that float in air currents at great heights.

Choose Your Colour

To describe an object as "mouse colour" is being very vague, for in the modern trend in mouse breeding fanciers now produce these animals in colors ranging from the original brown and blacks, to whites, blues, creams, lilacs, plums, silvers, variegated, etc.

Barber (to customer): "There seems a mixture in the hair to-day, sir."

Customer (putting his hand on his head): "I hadn't noticed it."

Barber: "Oh, no sir; I meant the hair of the hatmosphere."

The first known wrist watch was made in Switzerland in 1806.

Water is essential to the existence of every known form of life.

Fishery Production

Manitoba Leads Western Provinces In Value Of Output

Production of Ontario fisheries in 1937 had a market value of $5,615,666 and a value at the point of landing of $3,140,384 compared with values of $3,209,422 and $2,713,722 respectively for 1936, according to the annual report issued by the bureau of statistics.

Saskatchewan and Alberta and the Yukon Territory had a combined market value in 1937 of $2,765,032 compared with $2,357,663 in the preceding year.

Manitoba is the leading province with respect to value of fisheries production, with a total of $1,796,012. Saskatchewan is second with $527,199, Alberta third, with $433,364, and the Yukon Territory last with $8,467.

Each of the three provinces shows an increase in value as compared with 1936 while the Yukon Territory a decrease is recorded.

Taking the provinces individually, Manitoba is first, Saskatchewan and Alberta while Manitoba displayed pickerel.

Safe Driving

U.S. Motorists Stepping On The Brakes Instead Of The Gas

Motorists in the United States are beginning to step on the brakes in time to save lives.

The United States National Safety Council reported that traffic fatalities for the first six months of 1938 were down by 22 per cent. than during the same period last year.

By heeding the plea to drive more safely, motorists saved 3,677 lives during the first half of 1938, the council said.

The striking decline in fatalities was registered despite a two per cent. increase in highway traffic during the first six months. In the greatest drop of decline continues for the balance of 1938, the council said, the year's traffic toll would be the lowest since 1934 and would probably be under 8,700 lives in comparison with 1937.

June was the eighth consecutive month to register a decline, with the death toll for the month was 2,270, or 24 per cent. under that of June, 1937.

Mercury Deposits

Located In B.C., May Be Used By Canada For Defence Purposes

Extensive new mercury deposits are reported to have been uncovered at Mosa, near Lillooet, B.C.

The property is owned locally by a group of eight men and specimens assayed by the provincial mines office in Victoria are said to have run from $40 to $180 a ton.

Rumour has been sent to the Department of Defence, Ottawa, owners stating they wish any extensive production to be controlled by the Dominion for defence purposes.

A box of the ore has been sent to the Dominion Mines Branches.

The strike is 15 miles north of an operation on Mud Creek in the Bridge River valley, which has been under development for more than a year by Montreal and Vancouver interests.

The new body, believed to be in the main of high grade, is of large values but has tonnage possibilities.

Royal Air Force

Announce Appointments To Force In Western Canada

The department of national defence announced the following Royal Canadian Air Force appointments, in western Canada.

To be permanent force pilot officers (provisional)—Thomas G. Fraser, Penticton; James Borden Harvey, Winnipeg.

Alfred B. Jobin, Winnipeg, was named pilot officer (provisional) supernumerary to the establishment, or the army co-operation squadron, non-permanent force, at Winnipeg.

Chas F. Newcomb, Winnipeg, was named to the general list, reserve of officers, as flight lieutenant.

A Third Europe

Poland's Idea For Keeping Out Of Any European War

Foreign Minister Josef Beck is visiting in Oslo and his visit is designed to round out the Norwegian government's attitude on Poland's idea for forming a "third Europe" outside the Anglo-French entente and the Rome-Berlin axis, it was said in authoritative circles at Warsaw.

The Polish thesis is that the smaller European states can keep out of any war by following a policy opposed to application of League of Nations sanctions, although carefully guarding against forming a bloc or axis which will cut out of any other European bloc already formed.

Man—Do you know, honey, if I had to do it all over again, who I'd marry?

Wifey—No, who?

Man—You.

Wifey—Oh, no, you wouldn't.

Forgeries of famous paintings have been detected by means of photography, which reveals the differences of brushwork and mediums between old and modern paintings.

A British writer says that a man swimming at about four miles per hour uses more energy in proportion than a shark travelling at 30 miles per hour. 2287

Warning From Experts

Resuscitated Persons Should Not Be Moved Too Quickly

A nine-year-old Ottawa boy slipped into the river, and when he was taken out some four minutes later there was no visible indication of life. Two bystanders who knew what to do, Leo Seguin and Arthur Draper, set to work at artificial respiration, kept up the process alternately for an hour and a half before "no shrewd signs of responding." The lad then was taken home, a doctor was called, and removal to the hospital was considered. That he is alive is due to the fact there were laymen on the scene of the accident who knew the simple routine of saving the apparently drowned.

It should be pointed out, however, that experts warn against moving victims of such accident as soon as there are encouraging signs of life. In this case the doctor, when he arrived, found "not a faint spark of life." There is no medicine that can set the lung and heart actively in motion again. Nothing can do it but artificial respiration, or the mechanical device called the pulmotor. Revival of those who have been saved by drowning is a layman's job, and laymen who understand the simple process should keep up the good work until it is perfectly clear the patient can be moved in complete safety.

Experts say many such lives have been lost because artificial respiration has been delayed until a doctor arrived or because the patient was moved in the first flutter of life was taken home or to hospital.—Ottawa Journal.

Concern Is For Themselves

Japanese Army Headquarters Deplore Flooding Of Chinese Area

A dispatch from Tokyo to the Manchuria Daily News says that Japanese Army Headquarters have issued a communique denouncing the action of the Chinese in cutting the Yellow River embankments and flooding large areas of country, as "an inhuman outrage."

"The suffering and loss of millions of innocent Chinese people through the fertile farms devastated by the floods are inestimable," says the communique, "but it is a matter of no concern to the atrocious Chiang Kai-Shek Government that their innocent people should have been subjected to such inhuman outrages at the hands of their own country's troops."

As the levees were cut and the waters flowed out of bank Japanese armies that have already killed more than a million Chinese, this sudden destruction of the Japanese Army Headquarters for Chinese life and property appears a bit strained.

It is a good prospect that its horror at the "callousness" of the Chinese leaders is dictated by the fact that the floods have seriously interfered with its own plans for carrying death and destruction to more millions of "innocent Chinese."—Detroit Free Press.

Canadian Buffalo In Poland

Presented By Canadian Government Are Thriving In New Home

Three young buffalo cows and a bull, sent to Poland by the Canadian Government in 1934 are thriving in their new home in the Park of the State Upper Forestry at Smardowice, according to word received at Ottawa by Jan Pawlica, Consul General of Poland. The little herd has grown in numbers and now totals eight.

Experimental culture of Canadian grain, the seeds of which were sent to Poland in 1936 by the Consulate of Poland in Winnipeg, has also proved successful and the grain is actually used for feeding the imported buffalo.

The Canadian buffalo in Poland are to be kept in pure breed and only after their number has considerably increased will some cows be used to breed with the Polish buffalo called "zubr".

Honor In Arms

Duke Of Wellington Kept His Word To French Marshal

The following story is taken from a letter to the London Times:

According to Sir William Fraser's "Words on Wellington," the Great Duke could have been one of the last exponents of "honor in arms": "Before the battle of Orthez the bridge over the Gave de Pau had been seized by the French army. The Duke sent a note to Marshal Soult saying that the bridge would, of course, take place on the following day; but that, as it was desirable in the interest of the inhabitants of Orthez and of his own troops, he promised that, if Marshal Soult would abstain from blowing it up, no soldier of the British should cross it. Soult trusted him, and the bride is to this day intact."

The Kitchener Record claims that half the trouble in the world can be attributed to curiosity. Maybe so, but more than half the progress in the world is attributable to that very same quality.

"Say, Pop, how soon will I be old enough to do just as I please?"

"I don't know, son, nobody has ever lived that long."

If you spell one word wrong, that is ignorance; if you spell most words wrong, that is reformed spelling.

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TRY IT TOMORROW

Goderich Took Its Loss

Paid Off Railway Debt In Full For Which It Received No Benefit

The town of Goderich is to be congratulated for getting rid of its own railway debt. It has shown fortitude and persistence in meeting an obligation which, events showed, was ill advised. Thirty years ago, bonds were issued for $150,000 to subsidize the Ontario West Shore Railway. The road was never completed, but Goderich lived up to its end of the contract and has just paid off the last of the debt. Interest amounted to $225,000, so the town is out of pocket $375,000 for nothing of any value to it, unless the experience is counted an asset.

It should be it noted, did not shirk its responsibility through either good times or bad. It has paid up, wiped the slate clean with debt, a clear conscience, and unsullied credit. Probably the good people of the community never thought of beating the creditors, although they were beaten by the promoters of the railway. In any event, they have retained a sound reputation and set an example in honesty for other municipalities—Toronto Globe and Mail.

Plans Adventure

Will Sail From England In Forty-Foot Sloop On Trip To Canada

Two years of adventure lay ahead of Rev. John Antle, retired administrator of the Church of England's Columbia Coast Mission when he left Victoria for England with plans to sail across the Atlantic alone.

Mr. Antle, honorary sea chaplain of the Royal Victoria Yacht Club, said he expected to set out from England in the late June or early July before the end of August. First stop on his leisurely return to Victoria was to be Newfoundland.

After spending several months in that colony, he planned an extended cruise around the West Indies before passing through the Panama Canal and returning to Victoria two years from now.

Once before the elderly clergyman voyaged from England to Victoria in a small boat. He was 61 in 1933 when he brought the motorship John Antle to Victoria for use in his mission work.

An Unusual Plea

Maid Admitted Partial Guilt For Stealing From Employer

"Partly guilty" was the unusual plea entered by May Anna Alexander, 21, maid, charged with theft as accused by her employer of stealing 60 pieces of silverware, linen and some jewelry.

Detectives said they found 47 pieces of the stolen silverware and some linen in the maid's home.

"I didn't take the rest," the defendant said, explaining her plea.

Changed His Attitude

The lad entered the business establishment and took off his cap. "I observe, sir," he said pleasantly, as the proprietor went with a bow, "in passing by, that you require a respectable, well-spoken boy, and I am particularly fitted and qualified for the vacant situation, sir."

"Oh!" said the manager, "that berth was filled yesterday."

"Then, you silly old josser," shouted the respectable lad, heatedly, "why the blazes don't you take the blinkin' card out of the bloomin' window?"

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Barley—	
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No. 4	15½
No. 5	14½
No. 6	13½
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THE THIRD ANNIVERSARY

Premier Aberhart reminded his audience recently that August the 22nd of this year will mark the third anniversary of the election to power of the Social Credit party, and expressed the hope that supporters throughout the province would celebrate the occasion by gathering together to register their appreciation. Mr. Aberhart also announced on that date—which is a Monday—he will broadcast a message on the accomplishments of his government and invited the groups to gather wherever there was an opportunity to listen in.

While the premier's invitation was extended only to supporters of his party, there seems to be no reason why all Albertans should not take part in the demonstrations of the day. It is true that few Social Creditors have received anything to be thankful for—jobs cannot be found for all—but, on the other hand, his opponents have every reason to be of good cheer since there are but two years remaining during which they must suffer the worst administration that has ever governed Alberta.

The materials gathered for the bonfires that were to celebrate victory in the Saskatchewan elections may yet be of use and, sash in his own humour, all Albertans may rejoice in the celebration that will mean so much to the Hon. William Aberhart.

Local and District

C.N.R. bargain fare to Calgary and return, Aug. 19 and 20. See ad.

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Jock Sinclair, Alberta Wheat Pool agent, has been transferred to Hanna

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Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Skelton, at Hanna hospital on August 11th, 1938, a son.

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G. Oulton, is C.N.R. operator on duty during the vacation of E. M. Bigelow.

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Miss Emma Dawson and Miss D. Crosweller left on Sunday for a visit to Vancouver.

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Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Richert returned last week from a motoring vacation in the United States.

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Mr. and Mrs. D. T. Ford, of Portland, Oregon, announces the birth of a son, Thomas Frederick, on July 13th, 1938.

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The Canadian Bank of Commerce has disposed of its residential property on Third Avenue, formerly occupied by the bank's managers

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Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Hewson left on Friday last for Edmonton, where they attended the wedding of Miss's younger son, Cecil J., which took place on Saturday.

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The Misses Dawson entertained at their home on Friday last, when a teacup shower was given in honor of Miss Ada Lees, whose forthcoming marriage has been announced.

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Miss Betty Thompson, who has returned from a motor trip on a visit with her brother William north of Athabasca Landing, left on Saturday for a short visit with her sister in Hanna

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Miss Alice Nelson, who resigned from the staff of the Hanna school last year and has since taken a course at Alberta College, Edmonton, has received an appointment to the school staff at Red Deer.

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Members of the Agricultural Improvement Association requiring crested wheat grass seed are requested to call at the office of "The Delia Times" and fill in forms, all of which must be received in Lethbridge by September 1st next. 33

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A widespread rain was experienced in the district on Sunday night, Aug. 7, which was followed by cool weather of great benefit to crops. Cutting has started, rye and some barley as well as wheat. Stands of the latter show signs of a good average yield, many over the 20 bushel mark. Sawfly is at work in some fields, but where danger has become apparent farmers are putting the binders into such crops. On Sunday last a rain, which lasted approximately 15 hours and which was followed by cloudy skies on Monday, and more heavy drenching showers, gave a decided setback to harvesting operations.

R. Daw, of Drumheller, was a visitor in Delia on Saturday last.

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Miss Jean Morrison, 14 years of age, was taken to Hanna hospital on Monday, 8th inst., and underwent an operation for appendicitis on the following Wednesday. Latest reports are the patient is progressing satisfactorily.

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The 1938 provincial track and field meet of the Alberta Branch of the Women's Amateur Athletic Federation of Canada will be held under the auspices of the Edmonton Ladies' Athletic Club on Labor Day, to take place in Edmonton's new $50,000 stadium. Particulars of the meet and entry forms can be obtained from Miss Juanita Lawrence, secretary, 9311-104th Ave., Edmonton

Do You Suffer Losses In Shipping Livestock?

Lethbridge Experimental Station Weekly Letter

In shipping live-stock it is important to the shipper, as well as to the buyer, that animals arrive at the market in the best possible condition. Losses due to high shrinkage, injuries, and deaths are considered by some people to be unavoidable consequences of shipping. However, if reasonable precautions are taken, the animals which go down the unloading chutes will bear a close resemblance to those that were loaded, even though the journey be a long one.

Preparatory to shipping it is advisable to see feeds that are of a non laxative nature. For example, high quality timothy or prairie hay have been found to be very satisfactory for cattle. Animals should be allowed to consume their normal fill of water and roughage right up to the time of shipping. The practice of trying to obtain an abnormally large fill is likely to defeat its purpose, as digestive troubles frequently follow, resulting in loss of weight.

The freight rate on grade and commercial animals is charged on a per hundredweight basis, on a stated minimum for each class of stock. While underloading is uneconomical, overloading may be disastrous, especially in extremely hot or in cold weather. The approximate numbers per standard stock car for different classes of stock may be somewhat as follows: 25 head of fat cattle at 1,000 lbs.; 105 lambs at 85 lbs., and 70 to 85 hogs at 200 lbs. Death in transit may be due to sickness, but more common causes are overcrowding and, in the case of hogs, overheating. In hot weather it is desirable to reduce the number of hogs per car and damp sand should be used to bed the cars.

Common causes for shipping losses are bruising due to horns, rough handling and improper fitting of cars. When a car of mixed stock is being loaded, ruminants should always be used. All commercial cattle should be dehorned and care should be taken at all times in loading and handling.

Shrinkage in transit varies widely and may be due to a variety of causes The net shrinkage, which is based on "fed and watered" weights, as compared to gross shrinkage or "weight off cars," is most commonly used. Hogs will show a net shrink of about 3 p.c. after a journey of 24 to 36 hours, while lambs may show a net shrink of from 4 to as high as 8 p.c. for the same period, as lambs do not respond well to feeding at the market. Cattle are subject to very wide variations. Old, thin and grass fattened cattle shrink more than the average; while well-finished grain-fed cattle will usually run from 3 to 5 p.c. for a 24 to 36 hour journey. With all classes of live stock a proportionately higher shrink occurs during the first 24 hours than during further travelling.

Game Fish for Northern Park

More good news went out to Saskatchewan anglers recently when 480 small-mouthed bass, specimen of all fresh water game fish, were planted in the cool waters of Lake Wakaw in Prince Albert National Park. They were shipped west in a specially equipped express car supplied by the Canadian National Railways from streams in Quebec.

The Trade of Canada

Departmental statistics indicate that Canada's trade was of the value of $139,-914,000 in May, compared with $182,-511,000 in May, 1937. The value of both domestic exports and imports was lower, exports amounting to $87,770,000 compared with $125,025,000, and imports $67,123,000 compared with $78,707,000. The value of re-exports of imported commodities advanced to $5,082,000 from $3,079,000.

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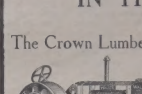

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GOOD MEDICAL CARE CONCERNS ALL

Whether social medicine ever comes or not, there is a growing realization that some means must be found to secure good medical care for everyone.

At the recent National Conference on Social Work at Seattle, it was estimated that about one out of five families earning less than $2,000 00 a year pay more than $100.00 of it for medical treatment. Low standards in food, housing and clothes increased the amount of illness; at the same time, low incomes meant that medical care was less swiftly and less surely available.

These facts deserve consideration, along with the frequent warnings that early diagnosis will prevent illness. A claim that failure to call in a doctor is due to ignorance or stubbornness and not to low incomes evoked the following comment at the conference mentioned:

"The very poor and the very rich do not have to worry about medical care. The man earning $20.00 to $60.00 a week is denied medical services. He does not want charity, and prefers to get along as best he can without asking favors.

"The very rich pay for all they need in the way of family doctors and specialists, hospitals and nursing care. The destitute can claim free care at public hospitals and clinics, charity wards and out patient departments and the service of a visiting nurse.

"But the man who has managed to keep on paying his way during the depression, or who is to be able to again after a long period on relief, is not going to send home doctor for help. He is not going to stand in line at the clinic if there is a stigma attached to it. He would rather take a chance on getting well alone. So the wage earner calls in the doctor as long as he can, perhaps until the nagging cough develops into tuberculosis or the small pain is an incurable cancer. He buys a bottle of patent medicine because it is cheaper than paying both doctor and druggist. He reads the almanac and tries the remedy of the man next door. When he finally goes to the doctor he is scolded for not having come before and then is made miserable because he cannot pay his bill."

In Canada our relief systems make a feeble effort to provide medical care for the poor, but the social economic consequences of unmet medical needs are devastating—they point to the urging of a national health program.

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Netherlands Increases Tax on Cereals

The Netherlands has increased its tax on the imports of wheat, barley, oats and corn to about 38c per 100 pounds. This is a rise of 12½ cents as from April 3rd. The increase was authorized because of the continuous decline in grain prices during recent months and is expected to provide about $4,000,000 which will go to replenish the agricultural Crisis Fund used up by the Netherlands to aid Agricultural producers.

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